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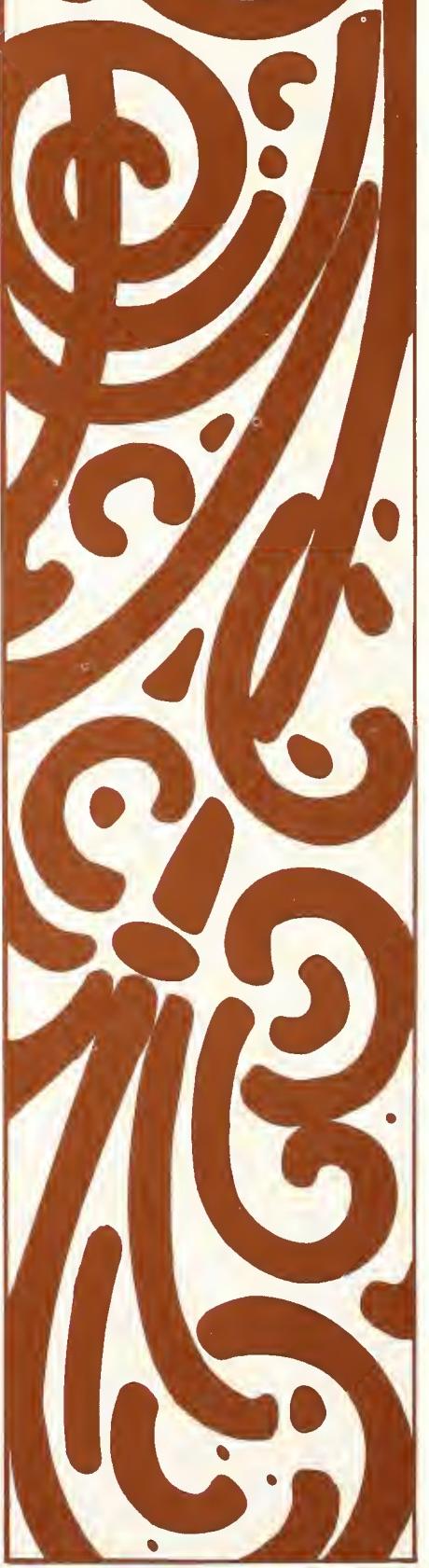
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*There have been obvious changes at Mary Washington.
But an alumna takes a closer look and finds many*

Things That Are The Same



by Alice Schermerhorn Raines '78

Finally after months of work, the renovations on Monroe Hall were complete. As a political economy major I had spent half of my waking hours in Monroe and could scarcely wait to see how my former "home away from home" had been refurbished. As I walked toward the building, my memory was flooded by various impressions of the structure I loved so well—Emil Schnellock's beautiful murals, the benches on the first floor where I had spent many anxious minutes reviewing notes before exams, and, in particular, the foot-worn steps I had climbed so often, heading to class on the second floor.

With a great sense of excitement and anticipation, I threw open the door and stepped inside. I was stunned and crushed by the sight that met my eyes. The steps were GONE! In their place stood a modern staircase with cold, hard, metal railings. The stairwell was closed off from the main part of the building, so I hesitantly stepped through a door leading to the first-floor classrooms.

Again the newness took my breath away. My old friend Monroe had been transformed into a completely modern, sensible housing for classrooms and offices. I mounted the unyielding, impersonal steps to the second floor and sought in vain for the large lecture room where I had taken page after page of notes in Dr. Albertine's economics classes. Replacing it was a conglomeration of offices, orderly pigeon-holed and neatly labeled. Sadly, I left the building thinking, "Mary Washington will never be the same. Everything has changed—and not for the better!"

My reaction that day was not that of a hopeless romantic, nor was it an isolated emotional impulse. Ask almost any alumnus or faculty member to reflect on "things remaining the same at MWC," and the immediate response is "Why, nothing is the same!"—not a surprising sentiment in light of my own strong reaction to the renovation of a single building. What is surprising is that this concordant answer comes from alumni who graduated from MWC as early as the 1930s and as recently as 1984. The faculty respondents have varied career lengths as well.

More important, however, is the fact that all those queried, if encouraged to reconsider the question, grudgingly admitted that maybe there are a few things that are the same now as when they were students at the College. Their subsequent suggestions reflect a fundamental truth: The important characteristics that have endeared Mary Washington to thousands of alumni, faculty and staff since 1908 *are* the same. A closer, more in-depth look at Mary Washington—down to the sights, sounds and smells, the very things of which our memories of days at the College are made—reveals that the Mary Washington

of 1978, 1958 or even 1908 bears a striking resemblance to Mary Washington 1985.

Let us begin at the ivy-covered gates guarding the entrance to Campus Drive. The mere sight of these columns, proudly proclaiming the name of my Alma Mater, carries me back to that first day, when, car loaded to capacity, I passed through them as an anxious freshman.

I was so relieved to finally be there after driving around town for what seemed like hours, looking for the College. We had missed the turn somehow, and Fredericksburg's abundance of one-way streets was further complicating matters. My nerves (and those of my dad!) were weakened to the breaking point. The sign on the gate reassured me but did not calm the nervous flutter in my stomach.

school. The beauty of the campus never ceases to leave me spellbound. I know many alumni feel the same way. Asked to reflect on things that have remained the same since her graduation in 1938, Anna Mae Harris, associate professor of mathematical sciences, responded, "The beauty of the campus, of course."

Could any alumnus deny having caught a touch of spring fever as he or she gazed from a dormitory or classroom window at the budding trees and early sunshine? How hard it was to study with spring bursting out all over campus! Or perhaps you, like my friend Martha Cross Swafford '78, were enraptured by the breathtaking palette of color spread before you each autumn. She would return from the traditional "after-dinner



This "nervous freshman syndrome" appeared to be universal that day, and I am assured that men and women entering MWC for the first time these days still suffer the obvious symptoms—ranging from sweaty palms and shaky smiles to the more severe forms of reticence and roommate-phobia!

As I was inclined to suffer the latter manifestations of the syndrome, my roommate took matters into her own hands, and, while I was unpacking, she threw my blankets out of our window on the second floor of Marshall. "I'll race ya!" she yelled. Minutes later, breathless and laughing, we had embarked on what is still a close friendship. I am sure that freshman anxiety and close friendships will always be a part of life at Mary Washington.

Proceeding slowly through the campus, I am struck by an overwhelming sense of familiarity, of homecoming. The campus is still my home, the institution is still my

walk" with a virtual kaleidoscope of leaves, which were then lovingly pressed between the heavy pages of an art history textbook. Sometimes these treasures, gleaned from the sidewalks, adorned her bulletin board, sharing that space with less inspiring miscellany.

I, for one, will always cherish the memory of that winter day when, faced with the unhappy expectation of spending my first birthday away from home, I also had to endure a Saturday exam in philosophy!

Walking slowly, my thoughts full of Plato, Kant, and no birthday cake, I was startled from my lamentations by a cold, wet drop on my cheek. Continuing along my way, my heart grew lighter as the flakes of snow fell faster. The exam went smoothly and quickly.

The snow, only a dusting really, clung to the bare branches, transforming Campus Drive into a glistening, silent passageway. My birthday evening was spent in cheerful coziness, sharing a special sur-

prise dinner prepared by an MWC graduate, the sister of my friend Martha. Undoubtedly, the beauty of our campus, like the inevitability of exams, will continue to be a shared experience between alumni: past, present and future.

Part of the beauty of Mary Washington lies in the graceful majesty of her buildings. Even in this day of radical renovations, the architectural integrity of the buildings has been preserved. Willard and Monroe Halls, the first structures on campus, have survived the test of time with their Georgian dignity intact. Chandler Hall, the most recently refurbished, has retained its familiar, friendly facade.

To further accommodate the growth of the student body and faculty, new structures were added, and, as Bobbie Burton '74, MWC's director of annual giving, points out, "The College has gone to great lengths to preserve the classical exteriors." Moreover, she noted, Mary Washington is one of very few colleges in the state to have maintained the traditional architecture, avoiding the construction of new, high-rise dormitories.

Graduates of Mary Washington's early years remark that the "newer" buildings are in perfect harmony with the campus as they knew it, citing in particular the graceful curves and tall columns of the fine arts center, duPont Hall. The attention to detail and the desire to keep the traditional atmosphere that permeates the campus are largely responsible for that familiar back-at-home feeling that provokes the comment, "Some things really haven't changed that much."

But what of the interiors? Do they all cause that overwhelming reaction of sadness and dismay I felt upon seeing the renovated interior of Monroe? The answer is emphatically "No!" Step inside the beautiful parlor of Ball Hall or walk slowly down the gently curving stairs of Russell's parlor and be assured that, for the most part, little has changed on the inside. George Washington Hall has seen a lot of alterations over the years, but one is still greeted by the murals painted by Emil Schnellock and some of his students at the entrance to the building.

Other examples of history preserved are carefully stored in the Archives. There one can find copies of early issues of *The Bullet* and the *Battlefield*. The names of both publications have not changed since

the first issues were published.

As for the students that frequent the library, it is clear that they carry on a time-honored tradition: cramming for exams!

While it is true that classrooms and offices have been moved around campus as new facilities were built to meet the needs of a growing institution, it can be said that the cherished atmosphere upon which memories are built can be provoked by a certain smell, no matter where that smell originates. Take, for example, that special "science smell" that greets the nostrils upon entering the present science building, Combs Hall. It probably prompts thoughts of hours spent in laboratory experiments or science lectures, whether one experienced them in Monroe, Chandler or Combs.

A similar, memory-provoking aroma surrounds the visitor to Goolrick Hall. That mixture of sweat and chlorine provides quite a heavy atmosphere for reminiscing. Athletics have always played a large part in the lives of MWC students, and today that tradition is continued with our teams boasting of impressive records.

And who among us would say that the smells that drift from Seacobeck three times a day have not remained the same? That wonderful, inviting essence of hot coffee and bacon that welcomes the student to early breakfast is one I will always remember. I recall all the morning rituals that took place around that smell. Early risers usually had that hearty, wide-awake look in their eyes.

They were creatures of habit—sitting in the same place each morning with essentially the same breakfast fare laid out before them. Some occasionally dragged with them a sleepy roommate or classmate, who always seemed to be dazed and bewildered by all the hustle and bustle around them. Frequently one would notice the all-night crammer who had stumbled into Seacobeck for another nervous dose of caffeine before heading

toward his or her date with fate in an 8 a.m. exam. Was this morning phenomenon not in evidence when MWC students dined in Willard Hall?

The comments about the food, whether good or bad, seem to have remained the same throughout the long history of our College. Students are still trying to escape the "horrors" of Seacobeck by cooking in the dorms or visiting a favorite



Ball Hall's elegant parlor and magnificent stairways have retained their familiarity over the decades.



Ring dance



Roommates

MY MEMORIES



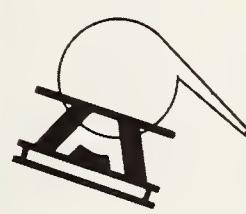
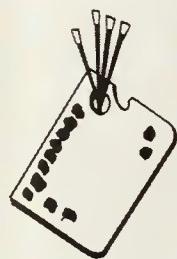
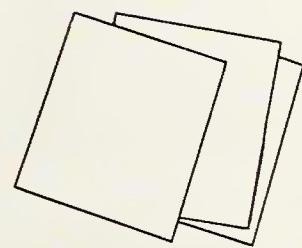
Relaxing between dances

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Snow days



Seacobeck dining hall

pizza parlor or hamburger haven. And bless the thoughtful townsperson that invites the hapless Seacobeck diner home for a *real* meal!

Despite all the complaints, it is fascinating to note that at Thanksgiving and Christmas the disparaging comments are forgotten as expectant throngs await the special dinners. These greatly anticipated treats are prepared by the same food service that provides "mystery meat," "suicide stew," and that all-time favorite weekend wonder, "fossilized french toast." Is it the soft candlelight and special decorations that make the food taste better? Or could it simply be that things really aren't that bad after all? Whatever the answer, Seacobeck will remain a place where gastronomic memories are made.

Almost inseparable from trips to Seacobeck are trips to the post office. Letters from home have always been an important part of life at Mary Washington, whether joyfully received in a box in Willard, Virginia, or the current College Station. I remember visiting my post box three times daily, immediately after each meal. Although mail was posted only twice each day, I was joined by what seemed to be all of my fellow students in performing this ritual—even on Sundays! Seldom did this faithfulness prove fruitful, but oh, what joy reigned when, after a disappointing morning visit, there was an afternoon obstruction in the post box blocking the view of the interior of the mail sorting room! And jubilation was unbounded at the sight of a package receipt! I am certain that this euphoria was felt even in 1911, when the first students received that long-hoped-for letter from family or friends.

Traditions like the post office pilgrimage have long been a large part of daily life at Mary Washington. Some traditions, while no longer continued in their original form, still exist. The one that comes to mind most readily is what one might call "the rites of spring." In former days this tradition was celebrated in the forms of May Day processions, May Court, and Maypole dances. It was a time for rejoicing with class competitions, singing and dancing. Over the years the May Day festivities gained in popularity and importance, providing a time of celebration and relief from the drudgeries of routine and study. In the past 15-20 years, however, the organized celebration of spring's arrival has consisted mainly of Devil-Goat competitions and a formal dance.

A less formalized sign of spring is the annual appearance of sun bathers, who take up study positions on the lawns around campus. As the mercury climbs toward the 70-degree mark, winter woolens are shed in favor of bright bathing attire.

Another favorite tradition that is still a big part of one's college career is the long-awaited Ring Week. Again the manifestations of the tradition have been al-

tered somewhat over the years, but the feeling of pride that accompanies the wearing of the MWC ring is definitely unchanged. The anticipation of Ring Week seemed to begin almost as soon as one returned to campus as a junior in the fall. For months seniors were stopped in dorms, on sidewalks, in class, and in the post office in order that ring styles might be compared.

The ring ceremony was emotional and beautiful. Family and friends gathered to share the happy experience, and at last, after a terrifying, yet thrilling, walk across the stage of Dodd Auditorium, each of us clutched a Mary Washington

ized visitation policies, the issue today is fraternities and sororities. Years before, women protested policies that restricted their freedom to visit downtown Fredericksburg.

Today's restrictions may seem very liberal in light of the close reins once held on the students, but they are still designed to promote the safety and well-being of all the residents. Infractions of the rules are relatively few, an indication that, as in past years, MWC students are willing to accept the restrictions and preserve the harmony of their "home."

Traces of past policies can be found in even the most relaxed dorm situations.

The ring ceremony was emotional and beautiful.

College ring in his hand. What exhilaration we shared as each of us slipped on the black and gold ring, symbolic of our Alma Mater.

Filing out of the auditorium, the rings heavy on our fingers, we gave little thought to the *other* part of the tradition. As the straight lines broke into small clumps of friends, the realization of what lay ahead finally sank in. Rushing back to our respective dorms, we began to see evidence of how our hallmates had celebrated our happy occasion. On the front porch of Westmoreland, a girl stood speechless, staring at her bed, fully made, just as she had left it on the second floor. In the parlor, friends gasped as they recognized the stall door to their bathroom, strung with various articles of their lingerie. Dashing up the three flights of stairs, my roommate and I speculated on the possibilities for our room. At least our underwear wasn't hanging in the parlor! We were quite relieved to find the room in relatively minor disarray—popcorn under our rugs and between our sheets, lipstick on the mirrors, and so on. We climbed into bed later, tired and happy, each wearing a lasting reminder of our days at Mary Washington.

Just as the beauty, architecture and traditions have remained basically the same throughout the years, many similarities can be drawn between dorm life in the early days and now. Regarding social issues, Denise Mattingly Luck '74 commented, "The same type of problems remain—the same wants and needs." She went on to say that, just as once the students had clamored for more liberal-

Hall offenses are still used as a deterrent to minor infractions. There are still quiet hours during exams, and students are required to "key in" to most dorms after hours. Residents must sign in members of the opposite sex, and I am assured by recent graduates Nancy Kaiser '82 and Jeannine Goodenough '84 that the distinction between "visitors" and "callers" is still made when one is paged by way of the intercom system. Remember that awesome means of communication? There was never any way to keep your dating habits personal when a voice called out to the entire hall, "You have a caller." It was not unknown in my hall, especially freshman year, for the "callee" to be accompanied by two or three curious hallmates as she greeted her guest in the parlor.

Similar to the visitor-guest distinction is the "Man on the hall!" announcement, warning of such nefarious characters as the maintenance man, who had come to change a light bulb, or the exterminator, who had come to kill (theoretically) the roaches. In this day of co-ed dorms, men in the halls are treated with only casual curiosity, unlike the roaches, who still cause quite a stir.

Another example of the audible warning is the much-maligned fire drill. Students today are just as happy to be awakened at 2 a.m. as were their predecessors. The alarm itself still has that melodious quality—somewhere between foghorn and air-raid siren. The participants in the exercise are familiar—dazed looks contrasting with scowling faces—a sure way to determine who was awakened and who was interrupted in the midst of study or

paper writing.

Undergirding both social and academic life at our College is the still-strong Honor Code. Students are carefully instructed as to the fine points of the Honor Code and the College's judicial system. Those students chosen to administer the system approach their responsibilities with the seriousness and dedication demanded by the revered tradition of the Honor Code.

Sights, sounds, rules, rituals—all are a part of the Mary Washington we came to know during our years there. Many of them still exist. But what about MWC's philosophies, goals and aspirations? Are they still the same? Judged by comments made by alumni who see her on a daily basis, who have the opportunity to see her from the inside out, the answer is enthusiastically "Yes!"

Enthusiasm and pride are the key words to describe our College throughout her 77-year history. In 1911, 110 enthusiastic students filled the dorms "to capacity." In 1984, 750 freshmen joined the upperclassmen to fill and overflow the dormitory space. Change made that particular possibility a reality. As Isabel Gordon '42, director of career placement services, noted, "Changes have been necessary, or we would not have grown or kept up with the times."

Mary Washington has always striven to send top-notch graduates into the world, and she has done so through a commitment to academic excellence. This particular goal was and is accomplished by having a superior faculty, one loved and respected by the students. About the faculty, Miss Harris remarked that, "While more research is being done by the professors, the faculty remains committed to teaching." And what teachers they are—84 percent hold doctoral degrees!

There is still a special closeness between students and faculty that is often absent at other institutions. At a recent alumni gathering, Nancy Powell Sykes '62 remarked how gratified she was to see that professors still make themselves accessible to the students. Their willingness to provide help, often outside of scheduled office hours, and the fact that students are still frequently invited as guests to professors' homes were two things she was happy to see continuing.

For the most part classes remain small and informal, even with increased enrollment. Many of the classes still have fewer than 15 students. This allows for what Denise Mattingly Luck '74 termed, "the feeling of still maintaining one's identity," impossible when class size gets too large.

Mary Washington's students have a "sense of purpose," according to Professor George Van Sant. "They know where they are going and why." This sense of purpose comes, in part, from the excellent leadership provided by the College's presidents and deans. "All six presidents," noted Miss Harris, "have

been highly prepared and capable men. The deans and presidents have been superior people—the right people at the right time."

And so, students are still filing through those ivy-covered gates, making lifelong friendships, studying hard, upholding traditions, and reveling in the beauty around them. Where does it all lead? Were else but to that final experience that has been shared by over 15,000 alumni. It's the day of supreme pride for Mary Washington men and women: graduation. Perhaps of all things, this experience and the feelings and emotions accompanying it are the least changed.

Remember commencement when those crazy caps were donned for the first time? How awkward we felt as we marched to our seats, trying to keep that cap from tilting too much in any one direction. I recall being moved by a speaker—an alumna who spoke of things past and things to come. But most of all, I remember the senior class rising in unison to join voices in singing the Alma Mater. It was only then that the reality of what was happening finally sank in. Around me tissues were extracted from hiding places as our eyes filled, and the words caught in our throats. Pride shone on the faces of the students and parents assembled there.

The next day we took our last walk as students down Campus Drive. We were led by the faculty we had come to know as friends as well as teachers. The speeches, the graduation address, the receipt of that hard-earned diploma, the singing of the Alma Mater—all seemed a blur that day. Four years of hard work, fun and fellowship were brought to an end abruptly as hurried good-byes were said. The campus was soon quiet, except for the isolated sounds of clean-up activities.

The sad elation of that day is now long past. I have time to think about those four difficult, glorious years, and the College that made them all possible. Reflection comes in the quiet times. Things seem so little changed as I am passed on the sidewalk by men and women hurrying to class. I feel such a closeness with these unknown brothers and sisters who now share the campus I once called home. I cannot help but smile as I remember my reactions that day in Monroe. The spirit, the atmosphere, the long ago images are still here, all around us. All we have to do is look.

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Carlos Fuentes, Mexican novelist and diplomat, charmed and challenged his audiences as the Alumni Association's 1984 Distinguished Visitor in Residence.

1984 Distinguished Visitor in Residence:

CARLOS FUENTES

by
Norma Woodward Batchelder '66

Less than twenty-four hours after his arrival in the crisp and sunny Fredericksburg autumn, the word was out that Carlos Fuentes, Mexican novelist and diplomat, was not to be missed. What started as respectable attendance turned into overflow audiences at the series of lectures, luncheons and meetings during the three-day visit of the Alumni Association's 1984 Distinguished Visitor in Residence. By the last Saturday gathering, the word had reached an eager contingent from Charlottesville who came to hear the last 40 minutes of this internationally respected literary and political voice. Thanks to the Alumni Association, many were able to turn their intellectual ears to the essentially unknown Latin American voice. The experience proved illuminating and extraordinary.

Mr. Fuentes spoke with students of Spanish American fiction, international relations, political science, religion and philosophy, and the Modern Foreign Language and English Departments' faculty and majors. The response was universal awe of his intellectual breadth and pleased surprise at his warmth and great charm. The centerpiece of his visit took place Nov. 8 in Dodd Auditorium, where Fuentes delivered his public address on "Latin America and the United States: Culture and Politics." Additionally, he held an afternoon press conference with the media. The rigors of such a schedule led the energetic, trim and handsome scholar, who currently is visiting professor of comparative literature at Harvard, to comment jokingly that if students were worked

as hard as he was at MWC, they must be receiving a very full education indeed.

In his formal address, while accepting the inevitability of problems caused by the dissimilarity between Latin American and United States cultures, Fuentes urged that we correct the image each has of the other by substituting information, knowledge and empathy for suspicion, arrogance, scorn and violence. "We cannot impose our vision of the world on the United States nor can you impose your vision of the world on us. We must try to bridge our differences without denying them." His vivid phrases outlined the historical development of political and cultural institutions which have differentiated both modern societies, the one representing "the abundance of poverty" and the other "the poverty of abundance."

He believes the family quarrels among Latin Americans must be solved by them and not by outside interests. The United States, asserts Fuentes, would much better serve its security and economic interests by showing concern over the real threats to stability and peace in Central America: the economic and social problems. These include exploding demographic rates, stagnant social programs, export declines, and increased crime rates. Modest economic gains of past decades are gravely threatened as increased material wealth has been without equivalent social distribution. The middle classes undergo a "revolution of lost expectations," the rural poor watch agricultural prices steadily decline, and decreasing wealth for these sectors is paralleled

by a decrease in the uniform application of justice. Fuentes paints a sobering picture for the millions of urban marginals who fester in their slums, the ripe harvest for "messianic demagogues" appealing to the abiding sense of militant religious fervor. He cites price riots in the Dominican Republic, the lynching of criminals by the masses in the *favelas* of Sao Paulo, the miseries of the Caracas *ranchos*, the beggars and drug dealers of Bogota, and the "ayotollahs" of the Shining Path in Lima as indicators of the true potential violence ahead in Latin America.

Fuentes issues a fervent plea for us to clear our decks for action against these larger problems he terms "explosively latent." Concomitantly, he beseeches the United States to avert its hypnotic gaze from Central America, for which he envisions only two solutions: United States military involvement or Latin American regional diplomacy. But he warns of the folly of any preemptive military solution that would result in the transfer of power to the *contras* and thereby unleash a bloody civil war with the United States caught in the middle. He reminds the United States that it can live with a revolutionary regime on its border as it did during the Mexican Revolution. That revolution has provided the United States with a secure southern border for the last half century.

Ardently supporting the Contadora Act accepted by all five Central American Republics, Fuentes asks us to respect negotiations freely arrived at by Latin Americans without the United States. Initially



Mr. Fuentes autographed copies of his works in Trinkle Library's collection as Brenda D. Sloan, reader services librarian, center, and Martha V. Fickett, chairperson of the DVIR committee, watched.

supported by the United States, the Contadora nations of Mexico, Colombia, Venezuela and Panama developed the Act only to have it "sabotaged" by the United States, he says, when Nicaragua unexpectedly accepted the Act's terms. "We are your proven friends, not Communist conspirators... If you can't deal with friends, who can you deal with in this hemisphere?" The terms of the Act eliminate all foreign military and training bases (Soviet inclusive); halt further arms introductions; eliminate regional and extraregional arms traffic, irregular forces, and armed bands trying to destabilize governments; and set up a withdrawal timetable for all foreign military advisors. Citing North American advantages of democracy, humane political traditions, and worldwide economic links, Fuentes would have the United States bring these strengths to bear on its relations with Latin America to develop a politics of normalcy. He would have the United States end its traditional practice of negative intervention. The future envisioned would permit a multipolar internationalism with cultures other than Russian and North American reemerging as protagonists of history.

Such outspoken positions have won Fuentes both accolades and recriminations during his world travels. In the 1960s he was denied entry into the United States on three occasions as an "undesirable alien." Although an admirer of Cuba's public health, education and employment programs, Fuentes has been an open critic of Cuba's Soviet umbilical cord and the Cuban jailing of dissident writers

and politicians. He is a strong critic of the Soviet invasions of Czechoslovakia and Afghanistan and has spoken out against United States military intervention in Vietnam. The themes underlying such positions remain constant: individual and national independence and identity; a perception of history and revolution as relative, adaptive and continuously evolving; and the rejection of ideologies as unresponsive to changing historical circumstances. At times asked if he is a leftist, Marxist, and/or Communist, Fuentes replies that he is a reader and student of Marx, as he is of Plato, Balzac, Nietzsche, Faulkner and Borges.

The breadth and depth of this Renaissance man reflect a richly varied personal experience. In addition to his own Indian and Spanish heritage, Fuentes was exposed early to world cultures and literatures as the son of a career diplomat assigned by Mexico to Washington, D.C., and to various major Latin American and European capitals. He acquired his political education as a student of international law in Mexico City, as cultural and press director for the National University of Mexico and various government ministries, as editor and contributor to leading literary and political journals, and as Mexico's ambassador to France in the 1970s.

Carlos Fuentes' baroque imagination and masterful technique have given us 10 novels, three plays, three anthologies of short stories, movie scripts (in collaboration with his old friend, the late Mr. Luis Bunuel), dozens of articles of literary criticism, and many essays of political and

cultural analysis. Available translations of his major works include *Aura*, *Where the Air is Clear*, *The Death of Artemio Cruz*, *A Change of Skin*, *Terra Nostra*, *The Hydra Head*, and *Distant Relations*. His continuous literary production has won him many national and international awards. In the week of his visit to the MWC campus, he was informed that he had won the prestigious Premio de Literatura Mexicana, to be awarded to him by Mexico's President Miguel de la Madrid in December.

His lifetime love affair with literature becomes awesomely apparent as he weaves his literary conversations around Czech and African literatures, Latin America's most recently published women novelists, and a wide range of French, German, North American and British writers. Fuentes can mesmerize and provoke an audience in any of four languages on a dizzying array of topics, always with the most civilized eloquence and reasoned discourse.

Fuentes' literature is acclaimed for its innovatively conceived and skillfully controlled panoply of time planes, commingling past and future with the present. A master of the stream of consciousness and interior monologue, Fuentes frequently sets multiple narrators gliding through time and place in a continuous flow, one into the other, melding reality and fantasy. He describes an ever-changing urban world, as dynamic and relative in its multiple interpretations as the history that informs it. His carefully orchestrated fragmentation and juxtaposition of time, pro-



The lively exchanges between Mr. Fuentes and MWC students delighted him. He is pictured here with Rosemary H. Herman, associate professor of modern foreign languages, center, and some of her students.

tagonist and place serve to transcend the immediate history of which his creations are products. These techniques go beyond the single perspective of absolutes and demand of readers flexibility, involvement and reaction.

When asked by a student about the Latin American writer's obligation to communicate with the majority instead of limiting the novel's present reach by sophisticated and intricate aesthetic approaches and narrative techniques, Fuentes asserted the writer's obligation to leave behind a legacy for the time when more Latin American readers will be educationally equipped to appreciate an articulate and aesthetic expression of their own language and cultural history. A nation's great literature endures by transcending the communicative norms of television and best-selling pulp novels.

For his own writing, Fuentes likes to set aside four to five uninterrupted morning hours, devoting afternoons to reading, lectures, interviews, and visiting with family and friends. He revealed that every spring during *Semana Santa* (Holy Week) he rereads *Don Quijote*. Besides Cervantes' masterpiece, he cited two other works of directive influence in the development of the modern novel: Diderot's *Jacques le Fataliste* and Sterne's *Tristam Shandy*. These works introduced a multiple narrative which broke out of the traditional confines of the autobiographical or biographical first and third person narrators.

Fuentes sees his fellow Latin American writers renewing the tradition of Cervantes, Diderot and Sterne, seeking to

"restructure (a) sense of personality within a new context... (to explore) the individualized characters that are not yet fully defined but discovered by the author in the moment of their radical depersonalization..." For example, Joyce invited the reader to participate in the way the novel was written, while the late Julio Cortazar invited the reader to write the novel along with the author, baring the novel's skeleton directly to the reader. Cervantes inaugurated this consciousness of the writing of the novel in *Don Quijote*'s awareness of his own literary counterpart and in the dialogue between different historical genres speaking to each other within the novel itself.

For Latin American authors, writing is an uncertainty, subject to the stability of a nation's political climate. Often the novelists and essayists are the only critical voices left when other institutions such as the media, civil government, theatre, unions, etc., are muzzled. When denied North America's and Western Europe's peace of the pen, Latin American writers, like their kindred Eastern European counterparts, are often forced into exile. In recent years writers in Argentina and Chile have been murdered. In Cuba they have been jailed and in Uruguay tortured. Therefore, according to Carlos Fuentes, writing is, for the Latin American, a struggle against silence, an affirmation of existence. The Latin American novel becomes a product "born of history to go beyond history, to see history from the outside."

Certainly Fuentes is reaching beyond history in the novel he is currently writ-

ing, *Christopher Unborn*. It projects the Mexico City of 1992 as contemplated by the unborn fetus, Christopher, whose parents planned his birthdate to coincide with the 500th anniversary of Columbus' discovery of the New World. Fuentes also has a collection of interrelated historical, political and literary essays focused on the Latin American and ready for final publication. At the press is a short novel based on the mysterious disappearance during the Mexican Revolution of the American writer Ambrose Bierce. Titled *Gringo Viejo*, this work may be the first attempt by a Latin American to focus a novel on a North American protagonist not portrayed as a caricature or cartoon figure. Thus, through his literature, Carlos Fuentes continues to build bridges of understanding between two distinct cultures.

Sometimes a lot is heard about the lack of knowledge of Latin America in the United States, but there is also a great deal of lack of knowledge about the United States in Latin America... So there is a double avenue always open. I think culture involves an understanding of the other, of self and of the other...

Norma Woodward Batchelder '66 is assistant professor of modern foreign languages at MWC.

They are tired, these dozen or so people sitting around a table, chatting and obviously waiting for something. It is a few minutes before 7 p.m. on a weeknight, and each has put in a full day at a demanding job. Some are government workers in labs or offices. Some are scientists for firms having government contracts in Northern Virginia or near the Naval Surface Weapons Laboratory at Dahlgren. Others are school teachers in or near Fredericksburg. Some are "unemployed" housewives, who work just as hard as any wage earner. Some are retired. In other rooms across the campus, people just like them are doing the same thing—waiting for class to begin. They are **The Graduate Students of MWC.**

The College offers two graduate degrees, a Master of Business Administration (MBA) and a Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (MALS). Both programs began in 1980 and have grown steadily ever since. In the fall of 1984, 77 students were enrolled in eight MBA courses and 48 in five MALS courses. The MBA program will have its first graduates in May 1985; nine people have already graduated with MALS degrees, the first of them in 1983. Both programs are designed to serve part-time nonresidential students by providing carefully designed graduate work within the College's liberal arts atmosphere.

The programs were begun under the leadership of the late Prince B. Woodard, president of the College from 1974 to 1982, as a way of providing increased educational opportunities for adults living within commuting distance of Fredericksburg. His successor, President William M. Anderson Jr., has continued MWC's commitment to the programs, and they are becoming an increasingly important part of the College's life. They bring new kinds of students to the campus, provide new outlets for faculty expertise, and increase the overall level of Mary Washington's service to its local community. At the same time, says Associate Dean for Graduate and Extended Programs, Mary Pinschmidt, the programs are small enough that MWC runs no risk of changing its fundamental identity as an outstanding small college of the liberal arts and sciences.

In fact, says Mary Ann Burns, vice president for academic affairs and dean, the graduate programs help reinforce the quality of undergraduate instruction by providing fresh challenges for faculty and extra incentive to keep abreast of current developments in their fields. Since no one teaches only graduate classes, the freshly honed edge acquired in teaching a graduate course carries over into undergraduate instruction immediately. Dean Burns also points out that since the accrediting agency which authorized the graduate programs required the College to provide substantial on-going support for faculty development and research, MWC has created a development fund for all faculty, which grows larger every year.

The dozen students waiting for class to begin are enrolled in an MALS colloquium titled "From Speaking Act to Natural Word: Communication, Language, and Mind." The course is an interdisciplinary, team-taught inquiry which, in the words of Roy Smith, professor of psychology, "tries to trace a coherent evolutionary path, both biological and cultural, from insect communication to James Joyce."

The MALS program is aimed at any student who wants graduate work in the liberal arts and sciences with a strong interdisciplinary flavor. All students in the program must take a two-semester, first-year course titled "Ideas and Movements of the Western World"; two team-taught

interdisciplinary colloquia; five elective courses; and one individual project course. William Kemp, director of the program, says that it draws several kinds of students. The most numerous are school teachers enlarging their mastery of subject matter, but the program also attracts many people who have discovered that their overly narrow technical or professional undergraduate backgrounds have not provided the kind of lifelong intellectual nourishment that education ought to provide.

"Other students are in the program," Kemp believes, "because newspapers and television don't offer enough intellectual challenge for an educated person." Kemp argues that the MALS program offers the best stimulation possible. "It has the best that's been said, sung, made, played and thought since history began, along with the excitement of trying to fit the whole of human life into sensible patterns. It's the ultimate intellectual adventure."

The program offers a wide range of electives: from art history to classics through literature and contemporary foreign affairs to the aesthetics of science. Its four interdisciplinary colloquia also cover a wide range—Communication, Language, and Mind; Aging in America; Language Acquisition; Becoming Human from the perspectives of biology, anthropology, psychoanalysis and literature. The individual projects that students do are equally varied.



Roy Smith, left, and Bill Kemp, far right, team-teach in the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies program.

Elsewhere on campus, a slightly larger group of students is sitting in a more conventional classroom. It is around 8 p.m. now, so the students are well into this introductory accounting class, engrossed in the intricacies of determining a company's net worth. The professor has provided them with a range of financial documents which contain the necessary information, but much of it is implicit; they must analyze the materials carefully to extract what they need to know. Though they now recognize all the financial papers they are using, the analysis hasn't become second nature yet. They have to remind each other, sometimes prodded by the professor, how balance sheets and cash flow fit together. The class, a mixture of discussion, question-and-answer, and lecture, proceeds informally but efficiently. Working on the problem creates energy; no one is tired any longer.

The MBA curriculum has two beginning points: one for those with an undergraduate business major or substantial practical business experience, and another for those starting from scratch, so to speak. As a result it appeals to different kinds of students. Steve Czarsty, its director, characterizes those who start from scratch as being interested in occupational change. Some, such as Millie Moncure, have decided to switch careers completely. She is a social services worker in her late 20s who found her job providing less and less satisfaction, as well as insuffi-

cient income. So she boldly quit her job and entered the MBA program. She faces 48 hours of academic work to complete it. Other students, Czarsty says, especially those in technical areas or sales, need management skills to climb the promotional ladder. Some people in this second group already have undergraduate business degrees or equivalent experience, so they skip some or all of the introductory courses and will be able to complete the program more quickly.

The system of courses in the MBA program is designed to carry students along tracks of developing skills, so that those who begin the program together usually move through it at the same rate. The result is considerable class spirit, networks of study groups, and a lively, accurate grapevine. "They sometimes know what's happening before I do," Czarsty confesses.

In both programs, classes meet for three hours a night once a week during the fall and spring semesters. The summer courses usually meet twice a week for seven weeks, though some meet three hours a day for a month. Nearly all students take only one course at a time, because most have both jobs and families. As a result, progress toward finishing the degree is slow. At the rate of three courses a year—one each regular semester and one in the summer—finishing takes just over three years. Asked whether some students get discouraged and quit, Mary Pinschmidt says that some do, of course, and adds that many take a leave of

absence at some point. But she also declares that many students, especially in the MALS program, are reluctant to finish. "They want to go on taking courses forever," she says. Kemp explains, "It's a real bargain. For \$55 a month you get to sit down one evening a week with a group of dedicated people and discuss seriously something important you're really interested in."

It is the summer of 1984. Helen Price, a student in the MALS program, strides into Don Glover's office and drops her individual study project on his desk. It makes a satisfying thud. "That was hard work," she snaps, "harder than I thought it'd be." She is a little peered. For the past six weeks her children have tiptoed around the house, shushing each other because "Mommy's writing." For six weeks she has risen early, retired late, eaten too much junk food, spent too little time with her husband and children, cut and pasted far too many pieces of paper. Glover, who directed both graduate programs at Mary Washington until July 1984, is a tall, quiet, amiable man. He smiles cherubically and says, "Good. It was supposed to be." Before Mrs. Price has a chance to react, he asks, "Are you glad it was hard?" She looks him straight in the eye and proudly says, "Yes." Helen Price will receive her MALS degree in May 1985.

"Three's the charm," or so the saying goes. Throughout literature and legend, the number three has carried with it a certain magic—it has been called the perfect number. In geometry it is also associated with stability, the triangle being the most stable of forms.

It is perhaps this notion of three that Michael B. "Mickey" Dowdy brought with him when he joined the Mary Washington College staff last summer as the wearer of three hats. His three official titles are vice president for college relations, executive director of the Alumni Association, and executive director of the Mary Washington College Foundation. In

stantly changing, but our alumni will always be alumni. They are the consistent force within a changing institution."

Dowdy sees his role with the alumni as two-pronged: to represent the College to them and them to the College. "I want to get them involved in the life of their alma mater, communicate with them about the current state of the College and about their classmates, and ask for their support. I also want to represent them to the College, to take the pulse of alumni opinion and convey that opinion to the College."

Since his arrival on campus, Dowdy has been doing a good deal of pulse taking. He has been in demand as a speaker to

Work on the alumni network is, in fact, well underway under the direction of Laura Ann Cline '77, chairwoman for Student-Alumni Relations on the Alumni Association Board. In early January 1985 a questionnaire was sent to all alumni for whom the Alumni Association had occupational information. By February some 400 alumni had responded, expressing a willingness to participate in the network.

These alumni will be listed by profession in a directory in the Office of Career Placement Services, and students will be invited to contact them for information about their various occupations. So far the alumni professions range from lawyers, teachers and journalists to museum managers, commercial artists and business administrators. Dowdy said he hopes the first edition of the directory will be available by April 1985.

The network will also feature a Mentor Program and will provide new resources for the career panels which the Office of Career Placement Services continues to offer for interested students.

Dowdy also hopes to get alumni more involved in fund-raising, in order to increase the College's base of private support. He has enlisted the help of two very active alumni—Katherine Edmondson Hopper '30 and Irene Lundy Brown '39—as the national chairwoman and vice chairwoman, respectively, for the Annual Fund Campaign. As such, he hopes to make the fund drive a coordinated effort of the Alumni Association and the Office of College Relations. The campaign began Sept. 28, 1984, with a kick-off luncheon at Brompton, and has set a goal of \$300,000 in unrestricted gifts which it hopes to reach by June 30, 1985.



Michael B. "Mickey" Dowdy

A Conversation With The New Vice President For College Relations

by Carlton R. Lutterbie Jr.

less formal terms, it means he is in charge of alumni affairs, development and public relations.

Many colleges and universities in the last 10 years have moved toward combining these three areas, Dowdy notes. "It's a natural setup for today's schools," he adds, "for all three areas are concerned with presenting the College to off-campus groups, telling them what we are doing and asking for their support."

Each of the three areas has its own director who reports to Dowdy. Barbara "Bobbie" Burton is director of annual giving; Paulette Watson is director of public relations; and Pamela Kearney is director of alumni programs. Together these four people work to present Mary Washington College to the outside world.

Dowdy, 33, is no stranger to such a task. Before coming to Mary Washington, he served five years with the University of Richmond as director of its annual giving program and of alumni and parent programs. He also directed the university's Metro Richmond campaign, successfully attracting capital pledges from the Richmond area.

While his duties fall into three main areas, Dowdy sees the alumni as his chief constituency. "They are the stockholders of the corporation," he says. "College administrations and faculties come and go, and the surrounding community is con-

various alumni chapters—a role he enjoys, for it enables him to touch base with alumni across the state. And the pulses he's been taking are healthy ones, indeed. "I sense a great enthusiasm for the College, no real concerns or worries," he said. "Many of the alumni I meet are eager to send their children to Mary Washington, and that's a good sign."

Dowdy realizes, however, that the alumni will not always unanimously support what happens at the College, that rarely is everyone in agreement. He seeks only to keep them informed. "That's our highest goal," he said. "We can't always persuade them to like changes, but we can at least make sure that they know about them and can voice their opinions."

Another of Dowdy's goals is to get the alumni more involved in the life of Mary Washington. The Alumni Association is working, for instance, on an alumni network to assist MWC students with career planning. The aim is to identify all alumni by profession so that the alumni can act as resources for the students. He even foresees the possibility of alumni sending job leads directly to the College's Office of Career Placement Services. "After all," he says, "alumni help bring students to the College through word of mouth and through their work at various recruitment activities; why shouldn't they also help them as they leave the College?"

Naturally, Dowdy hopes the alumni will support the fund drive. He noted that last year about 28 percent of the alumni supported the campaign, compared to about 18 percent for colleges and universities nationwide. "This is great," he said, "but I hope we can do better, for participation by alumni is critical. When we apply for grants, agencies always ask what percent of our alumni support us. They feel that if the alumni are enthusiastically supporting the College, then perhaps they should support it, too." A "phonathon" under the direction of Miss Burton was held in November, netting \$76,288 in pledges from alumni, previous donors and parents. Over 100 MWC students manned telephones for 12 evenings in order to raise this money.

One way Dowdy hopes to solicit even larger contributions is to emphasize what the gifts will do for the College, such as the way they support scholarship funds, help endow faculty chairs, and meet emergency needs. He noted that contributions to the annual fund even helped supply needed beds this fall when the unexpectedly large number of freshmen arrived on campus.

"The Annual Fund is a kind of living endowment," Dowdy says. "It bridges the gap between what the state feels we need and what we would like to accomplish."

Another kind of endowment which Dowdy hopes alumni will consider is estate planning. "More and more alumni are including the College in wills and trusts," he said. "Not only do tax laws make such bequests attractive to donors, but this kind of giving enables a person to make a larger than normal gift, one that will help meet future needs of the College." He added that since alumni are often unfamiliar with this manner of giving, the College will assist them in making such arrangements.

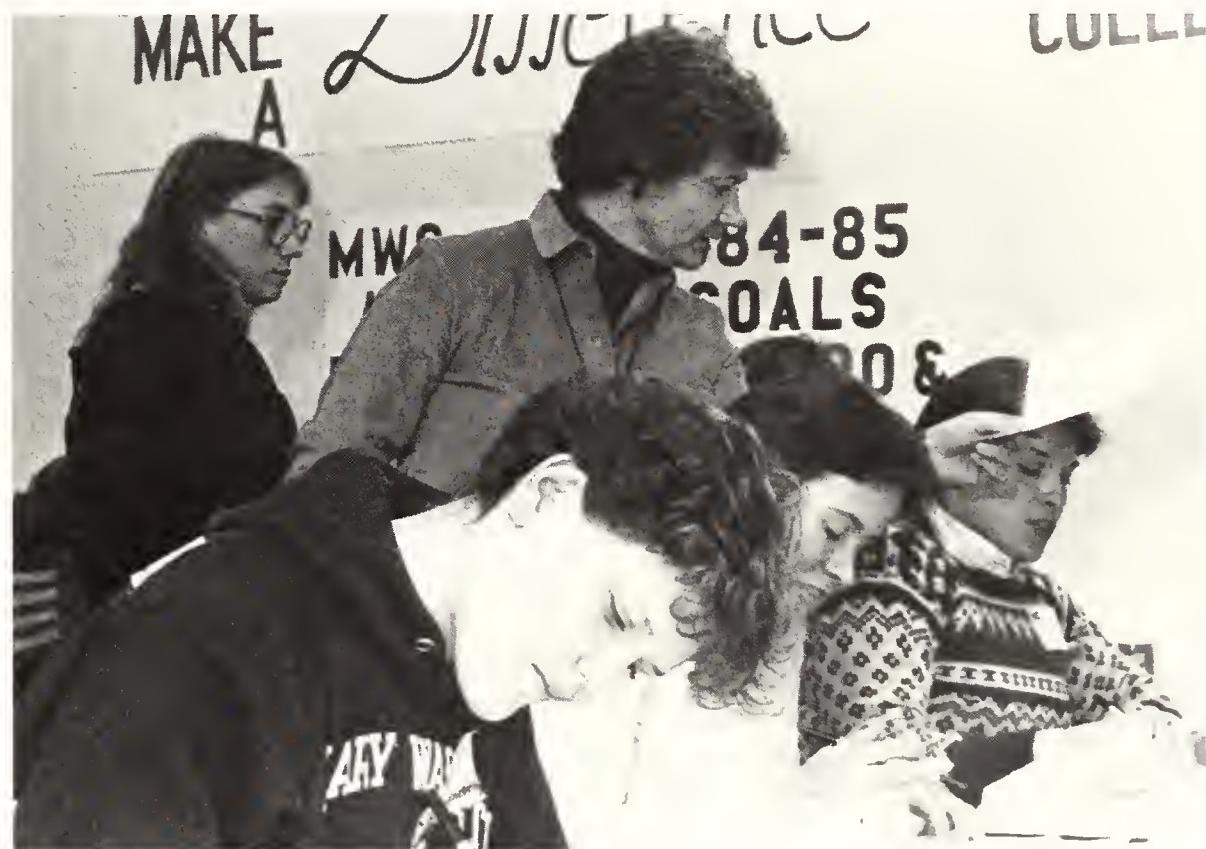
Dowdy's public relations duties tie in with fund-raising and alumni affairs, in that they, too, serve a communicative purpose. "We want to make the public aware of what goes on here," Dowdy says. To this end, the Office of Public Relations publishes a Calendar of Events that goes to over 1,000 community residents; *The Official Campus Grapevine*, a faculty/staff newsletter that made its debut this fall; news releases about happenings on campus; and, of course, *MWC Today*.

While public relations departments are often seen as trying to create a certain image for their institutions, Dowdy says Mary Washington seeks only to tell the media the truth. "We want to publicize our small size, our superior faculty, our individualized approach to students—in short, the bargain that Mary Washington offers. We want people to know that you don't have to go to a private school for a high quality education."

Although Dowdy lists his work as one of his hobbies, he does have other interests that occupy his spare time. A jogger



Katherine Edmondson Hopper, left, and Irene Lundy Brown are serving as the national chairwoman and vice chairwoman, respectively, of the Annual Fund Campaign.



Students made many calls in November's phonathon under Bobbie Burton's direction.

and a reader, he tries to run three to five times each week and likes to keep a light novel and some business-oriented text going concurrently. His two children—Erin, 6, and Peyton, 15 months—also keep him and his wife, Donna, busy.

Having lived in Lynchburg (if only for his first infant year), Danville and Richmond, he is used to historic Virginia towns, but he likes Fredericksburg's smaller size. "The people are more open, friendlier," he notes. "In no other town I know could I take a car in for repairs and have them vacuum the car afterward and even offer to bring it home for me—and for no charge."

He also enjoys his spacious, airy office on the second floor of Trench Hill. With the Office of Alumni Programs across the hall, the town of Fredericksburg stretching out below his window, and the downstairs parlors used as reception rooms for frequent College activities, he is perfectly situated among the constituencies he serves. One man with three hats, Mickey Dowdy is Mary Washington's liaison with the world beyond the College gates.

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Graduates in...

by
Linda Burch

What does it take for a young woman just out of college to enter a job field in which there are no women? What does it take for a young woman teacher to protest a school district's decision not to rehire teachers who marry? In the words of Hilda Manieri Traina '28, "It takes courage and a hide like a rhinoceros."

Though not expressed in the same words, this philosophy is shared by two Mary Washington College alumni, Mrs. Traina and Mrs. Helen Bell Sharp '34, who followed different paths to become two of the foremost figures in the city government of Hopewell, Va.

After spending a year and two summers at MWC, Hilda Manieri left the College in 1928 to complete her education at Temple University, where room and board provided by an uncle helped her meet expenses. Before she received her degree from Temple, Miss Manieri had hopes of becoming a physical therapist, but her family did not think this profession was suitable for a woman. For two years after graduation, Miss Manieri worked in public relations and taught at the YMCA.

During the Depression her mother died, so Miss Manieri returned to Hopewell to help with the family general store and teach in the city's public schools. Because teachers were required to visit students' homes, Miss Manieri became acutely aware of the economic hardships, caused by the Depression, which affected the lives of many of her pupils. So each morning in the family store, she packed her own lunch, along with a few extra lunches for her needy students. At school there was morning inspection in Miss Manieri's classroom, and she gave her students soap and towels so they could wash their faces and hands before beginning class. She obtained most of the hygiene supplies by writing to companies, explaining the poor living conditions of her students and requesting products, many of which were given free of charge. Any items that had to be purchased came from Miss Manieri's meager salary, which often did not last from one month until the next.



Hilda Manieri Traina '28 is mayor of Hopewell, Va.

In 1933 Hilda and James Traina planned to marry. Then she learned that teachers who married would not be rehired. Undaunted, Miss Manieri protested the regulation, and the ruling was temporarily changed to apply to new teachers only and was later repealed altogether.

From 1935-45 Hilda Traina worked in the restaurant business with her husband. By 1945 polio had become a dreaded disease in the state. Mrs. Traina, having never lost her desire to work in the medical field, volunteered to help put hot packs on children with polio at the Medical College of Virginia. One day while she was attending to her patients, a doctor asked her if she was a physical therapist. Laughing at the irony of the statement, Mrs. Traina related how her family discouraged her from entering that field. Recognizing this young woman's gift in working with the disabled, the doctor offered her the opportunity to join the first physical therapy class at MCV. By 1946 Hilda Traina was a registered

physical therapist, working at McGuire Veterans Hospital in Richmond. Within five years she was teaching at MCV and heading its physical therapy department. Mrs. Traina created her next job when she asked the administrator at Petersburg General Hospital to rent her space to establish a physical therapy department. After assuring him that within one month she could get enough equipment and personnel to have a well-run department, the administrator offered this self-confident woman a position as director of the department she would create. From that position she extended her duties to include teaching in the school of nursing.

Mrs. Traina's next job came with her appointment as the first female assistant to the hospital administrator. Her first assignment in this position was to file a report on the hospital's maintenance and engineering departments. With her usual vigor, Mrs. Traina tackled this assignment by writing to professional agencies for literature on how to inspect and maintain these departments. After much reading, she inspected the facility and wrote a report which resulted in the hiring of a full-time engineer to correct the problems she had found.

From Petersburg General, Mrs. Traina joined the staff of Richard Bland College in Petersburg, where she taught until her retirement in 1972. During all these active years, Hilda Traina found time to open her home to five young boys until they reached adulthood. Her home was also open to other young people and to relatives for as long as they needed her care.

Participation in the Business and Professional Women's Club, Easter Seal Society, President's Committee on the Handicapped, and the Greater Planning Commission just begins to list her civic duties. Her work with the local and state Democratic Party led to an interest in politics, and in 1974 she ran for Hopewell City Council. Mrs. Traina lost the election, but, true to her determined nature, she ran again four years later and became the second councilwoman ever elected in

Public Service

Hopewell's history. Thus began a distinguished career in city government which continues today with her position as mayor of Hopewell.

When Mrs. Traina was elected to her present term, a letter was written to the local newspaper stating that Hilda Traina should be "at home in a rocking chair." As the interview for this article came to a close, and Mrs. Traina was asked to pose for a photo, this petite, gray-haired lady led the way to the front of City Hall. En route a young woman passed by and asked, "How are you, Hilda?" Mrs. Traina responded, "Tired as usual," all the while walking 10 to 15 steps ahead of the reporters, who were trying to match her stride. This inspiring woman is hardly ready to spend her days in a rocking chair.

In 1934 when Hilda Traina was teaching, a friend of hers named Helen Bell graduated from Mary Washington College (then State Teachers College at Fredericksburg) with a B.S. degree in commercial education. The young woman had planned from the age of six to attend college and had dreams of becoming a teacher. During the summer between her junior and senior years, Miss Bell worked in Hopewell's Office of the Commissioner of Revenue to help meet college expenses. She became interested in the field of certified public accounting, but her family discouraged her from pursuing her interest in it, believing accounting was an inappropriate career for a woman. Consequently, she again set her sights toward teaching. After Miss Bell's graduation, the commissioner offered her a full-time position in his office, which paid more than a teacher's Depression era wages of \$90-\$100 per month. She decided to take the job, making her deputy commissioner without the title, since she had not reached the legal appointment age of 20. When she began her job, all tax records were handwritten. Therefore, this industrious young woman took it upon herself to organize and type all records for the 125 people who were required to file taxes at that time.



Helen Bell Sharp '34 serves as the deputy commissioner of revenue in Hopewell, Va.

After 10 years as deputy commissioner of revenue, Helen, who by then was married to Clem Sharp, was appointed to fill the unexpired term of the commissioner. Since no woman had ever before held that office in Virginia, a local judge appeared before the State Tax Commission in Mrs. Sharp's behalf to recommend her appointment, which she subsequently received. From 1944 to the present, Helen Sharp has seen the number of the city's taxable individuals grow from 125 to 8,500. Her office staff has grown from one to four full-time assistants and two part-time appraisers. Handwritten at first, her records are now computerized. Today, even after 50 years of service, she still works until 7:30 p.m. on many occasions and attends school often to keep abreast of tax laws.

Over the years, in addition to her job duties, Mrs. Sharp has raised a daughter, entertained frequently in her home, and participated in numerous community activities. During World War II, she taught ad-

ults in night school. She has made a hobby of instructing high school students how to prepare tax forms. In addition, she has actively participated in such organizations as the Business and Professional Women's Club, the American Society of Women Accountants, the Association of Women Accountants, the Association of Assessing Officers, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Hopewell Historic Foundation.

When the Class of 1934 met for a reunion last spring, a dilemma evolved as to who would accept the role as class agent. When no volunteers were forthcoming, someone asked Dr. Eileen K. Dodd, professor emeritus of psychology, if she could suggest a way to get someone to agree to take the position. Dr. Dodd replied that she would have no trouble getting a volunteer—she would just ask Helen Sharp. Such is the case with many Hopewell residents. Whenever they have a tax problem, the door to the commissioner's office is open.

In June 1984 the Hopewell Kiwanis Club sponsored a dinner in honor of Helen B. Sharp's 50 years of service to the city. In the tribute to Mrs. Sharp, a colleague said that Mrs. Sharp treats the public as if she were its servant. This fact was illustrated clearly when the gracious commissioner paused during this interview to reassure an elderly, handicapped citizen that she would personally try to clear up business matters relating to the woman's taxes, so that the lady would not have to risk several arduous trips away from her home.

Whether it takes courage or a hide like a rhinoceros, Hilda Manieri Traina and Helen Bell Sharp have served their community in such a way that anyone would agree that they know the right formula for being outstanding public servants.

Linda Burch will graduate from MWC in May with a Bachelor of Liberal Studies degree. A wife and the mother of two children, she is also employed full-time as a laboratory technician at Mary Washington Hospital in Fredericksburg.

DEVILS AND GOATS REUNITE

MAY 17, 18, 19, 1985

HOECOMING '85

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Reunion classes are Golden Club 1913-34, 1935, 1940, 1945, 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, and 1980.

FRIDAY

12 noon-8:30 p.m.	General Registration in Residence Halls (Mason and Randolph Halls).	5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.	“A Brompton Welcome” Begin the Homecoming festivities by joining President and Mrs. William M. Anderson for cocktails in the rose garden of Brompton.
1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.	Tennis Matches at the Battleground (Devils/Goats; Alumni/Faculty; Alumni/Students.	6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.	Dinner in Seacobeck Hall “The Party Begins Here” If you want to know where to meet everyone to plan your weekend... START HERE! The Fredericksburg Chapter celebrates this special weekend by inviting you to Ann Carter Lee Hall for an evening of music and laughter (BYOB).
1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.	Devils-Goats Olympics at the Battleground (volleyball, track events, etc.).	8:30 p.m.-12 midnight	
4:00 p.m.	Guided Campus Tour: Now is the time to see all the wonderful things going on at MWC!		
4:00 p.m.	Fredericksburg Bus Tour: Reacquaint yourself with the most historic city in the U.S.		

SATURDAY

7:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.	Buffet Breakfast in Seacobeck Hall	9:00 a.m.-Winner!	Devils and Goats on the Links (TBA) Spouses will also enjoy this treat! Challenge those you are coming with or meeting at this reunion for a round of golf at a local course.
8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.	Registration in Residence Halls for Saturday arrivals (Mason and Randolph)		Coffee Break Catch up with late arrivals in the foyer of George Washington Hall.
8:45 a.m.-10:00 a.m.*	Belmont's Pride (limited) Interested alumni will be driven to Belmont to tour the Virginia home of Gari Melchers, American painter.	10:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.	

*A bus will be available for transportation to these events.

10:30 a.m.-12 noon	MWC Tmorrow Mary Washington College abounds with opportunities and continues to grow! Share your thoughts with representatives from administration, faculty and the student body in Dodd Auditorium.		classes of 1935 and 1960 to celebrate their special 50th and 25th reunions. Additional guests will be members from the highest giving class as well as the class with the highest percentage of membership-participation in the annual fund campaign.
12-noon-2:00 p.m.*	Luncheon "On The Hill" No matter when you arrive, Trench Hill is the place to catch up with fellow classmates. A buffet on the sprawling lawn of this recently renovated, historic building awaits your visit.	6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.*	"Devils and Goats Reunite" This elegant banquet promises to celebrate the MWC family! Join in the applause as we honor both recipients of the Alumni Awards, and new members of the Golden Club. Share the sights and sounds of "Campus Years Relived," and acknowledge the achievements of our devils/goats athletes. This dinner with friends and relatives will prove to be the highlight of a very special weekend at MWC.
2:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Classes Reunite! Your reunion coordinator is making plans for this long awaited event when class members will gather again as one. Will you recognize your fellow classmates? Laugh, cry, reminisce... but, most of all reacquaint yourself with special friends!	9:00 p.m.-till	"The Last Hurrah" until the third "noise warning" is issued! Space will be available in Mason and Randolph as well as in the Pub for classes desiring to continue their parties. The old swimming pool is now the Pub where students gather for music and beverages.
3:45 p.m.	Special Attraction The class of 1940 will host a special event in Monroe Hall.		
4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.*	Informal Campus Tours MWC Foundation Reception The college's Foundation Board cordially invites to Trench Hill the		

SUNDAY

8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.	Buffet Breakfast in Seacobeck Hall	12 noon
10:30 a.m.	Sunday Service in the Amphitheater	1:30 p.m.

Fredericksburg Bus Tour and/or Guided Campus Tour (above)
Check out time.
COME AGAIN!

SPECIAL HOURS

The College Shop (Ann Carter Lee Hall): The College Shop (better known as the "C" Shop) will be open from 12 noon-5:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 18. The "C" Shop provides a relaxing atmosphere for you and your friends to enjoy a cup of coffee, soda, draft beer and your favorite munchies.

The College Bookstore (Ann Carter Lee Hall): The College Bookstore will be open from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Saturday, May 18. Be sure to make time to visit the bookstore in order to purchase a new sweatshirt or your favorite textbook.

Spinning Wheel Boutique (Trench Hill): Gift items will be available for sale during the weekend. Hours will be posted upon your arrival.

IT'S TIME TO REACH OUT

If you're wondering if any of your old group will be here, why not encourage them to join you? The Alumni Office will help you find old classmates. Please feel free to contact us at (703) 899-4648.

* A bus will be available for transportation to these events.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____	first _____	maiden _____	last _____	Class _____
Address _____				Is this a change of address?
				Yes _____ No _____
Phone: Home () _____	Work () _____			
Anticipated day of arrival:	Friday, May 17 <input type="checkbox"/>		Saturday, May 18 <input type="checkbox"/>	

Date	Event	Cost Per Person	Quantity	Total
Friday May 17	Fredericksburg Bus Tour	\$ 1.00	_____	_____
	Dinner-Seacobeck	5.50	_____	_____
	"Party Begins Here"	7.00 (single) 12.00 (couple)	_____	_____
	Accommodations (Mason/Randolph for Friday night)	14.00	_____	_____
	Please check the following events/activities for Friday in which you will be participating. These are at no cost.			
	Tennis Matches <input type="checkbox"/>	Guided Campus Tour <input type="checkbox"/>		
Devils-Goats Olympics <input type="checkbox"/>	A Brompton Welcome <input type="checkbox"/>			
Saturday May 18	Breakfast-Seacobeck	3.50	_____	_____
	Devils-Goats on the Links	20.00	_____	_____
	"Belmont's Pride"	1.00	_____	_____
	Luncheon "On The Hill"	8.00	_____	_____
	Class Party (Reunion)	5.00	_____	_____
	Gala Banquet	14.50	_____	_____
Accommodations (Mason/Randolph for Saturday night)	14.00	_____	_____	
Please check the following events/activities for Saturday in which you will be participating. These are at no cost.				
MWC Forum <input type="checkbox"/>	Foundation Reception for 50th and 25th reunion			
Informal Campus Tour <input type="checkbox"/>	class members <input type="checkbox"/>			
Sunday May 19	Breakfast-Seacobeck	3.50	_____	_____
	Fredericksburg Bus Tour	1.00	_____	_____
	Please check the following events/activities for Sunday in which you will be participating. These are at no cost.			
Sunday Service-Amphitheater <input type="checkbox"/>	Guided Campus Tour <input type="checkbox"/>			
REGISTRATION FEE		6.00	_____	_____
Mandatory for all alumni in order to participate in any weekend activities. The fee is not required of spouses and guests.				
Reunion Momentos	4.50	_____	_____	
Class Picture	5.00	_____	_____	
Reunion Booklet "On The Hill"	5.00	_____	_____	
TOTAL		_____	_____	_____

Full refunds (except for Registration Fee) will be available prior to MAY 1, 1985. Due to scheduling commitments, there will be NO refunds after this date.

Name/Class of roommates for weekend _____
 Name/Class of suitemates for the weekend _____
 Special accommodations needed are _____

MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION EARLY

Make checks payable and mail to: MWC Alumni Association
 P.O. Box 1315 College Station
 Fredericksburg, VA 22402

Deadline: May 10, 1985

Gift Ideas

All gifts are available to be purchased at the Alumni House or may be mailed with an additional shipping charge noted below. Add 4% sales tax to price of all items purchased in Boutique or shipped to a Virginia address. Make checks payable to MWC Alumni Association, and mail check and order form to: P.O. Box 1315 College Station, Fredericksburg, VA 22402 (703) 899-4648.

CHAIRS WITH MWC SEAL:

Boston Rocker—133-2104—Satin black finish with gold trim	\$125.00
Boston Rocker—133-5104—Dark pine finish	\$125.00
Captain's Chair—342-2108—Satin black lacquer finish with cherry colored arms	\$130.00
(All chairs shipped freight collect. Anticipate a minimum fee of \$25).	

BLANKETS:

MWC Blanket, all wool, blue/white, size 62" x 84"	\$ 35.00
(shipping	\$ 4.00)

BRASS:

Mary Washington Trivet—Large—(7 inch) (in the shape of the MW)—Small—(5 inch)	\$ 19.00
	\$ 13.00
(shipping	\$ 3.00)

GLASS:

Wine Carafe and (4) Glasses (etched w/MWC Seal)	\$ 30.00
(shipping	\$ 4.00)
(4) Wine Glasses only	\$ 25.00
Cake Plate	\$ 27.00
(shipping	\$ 3.00)

PEWTER:

Jefferson Cup (etched with MWC Seal)	\$ 16.00
(shipping	\$ 2.50)
Devil/Goat Key Chains	\$ 2.25
	\$ 2.50
(shipping	.75)

75TH ANNIVERSARY JEWELRY:

(Illustrating the MW)

Blazer Buttons	\$ 20.00
Earrings (pierced or clip)	\$ 20.00
Stickpin	\$ 20.00
Lapel Pin (plain or cut-out)	\$ 20.00
Large Pendant (plain or cut-out)	\$ 28.00
Small Pendant	\$ 25.00
Tie Tack	\$ 20.00
(shipping	\$ 1.00)

75TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE ITEMS:

Kenmore Beaker (etched w/MW)	\$ 25.00
(shipping	\$ 2.00)
Mary Washington Plate (etched w/MW)	\$ 75.00
(shipping	\$ 3.00)

NEEDLEWORK: (MWC Seal)

Counted Cross Stitch Kit, linen with blue wool	\$ 8.00
Crewel Kit, linen with blue wool	\$ 15.00
(shipping	\$.50)
Counted Cross Stitch Bib, linen with blue thread Devil/Goat graphs with date of graduation from MWC	\$ 4.50
(shipping	.75)
Needlepoint Kit	\$ 25.00
(shipping	1.50)

BOOKS:

On The Hill	\$ 5.00
The Streets of Fredericksburg	\$ 4.50
(shipping	\$ 1.00)
The History of Mary Washington College	\$ 10.00
(shipping	\$ 2.00)
Colonial Fredericksburg	\$ 7.50
Mary Washington's Cookbook	\$ 7.95
(shipping	1.50)

PRINTS OF MWC BY DR. BULENT I. ATALAY:

(with mats)	
Buildings: Brompton, duPont Hall, Monroe Hall, E. Lee Trinkle Library and Ann Carter Lee Hall:	
one	\$ 3.50
two	\$ 6.75
three	\$ 10.00
(shipping	\$ 1.50)

ORDER FORM

Mail to: **Spinning Wheel Boutique**

MWC Alumni Association, P.O. Box 1315, Fredericksburg, Virginia 22402
(703) 899-4648

Item Description	Style	Quantity	Item Price	Total

Subtotal _____

4% Sales Tax for all items delivered in Virginia _____

Total Postage & Handling _____

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Name _____	Class _____
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City, State & Zip _____	
Phone Number () _____	
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Make check payable to: "MWC Alumni Association"

Do not compute sales tax on postage & handling.

Belmont Publishes Melchers

A behind-the-scenes look at the steps involved in publishing an art catalogue for a museum.

by Richard S. Reid

MWC alumni are well-acquainted with the art work of Gari Melchers from his painting of "The Nativity," which was reproduced in color or for a mailing to alumni a few years ago. Others will remember his works hanging in the halls of Trinkle Library, on the walls at Brompton, and in the offices in George Washington Hall. These pictures and many others can be seen again in the beautiful book, *Gari Melchers: His Works in the Belmont Collection*, produced by Belmont, The Gari Melchers Memorial Gallery, and published in 1984 by The University Press of Virginia.

Belmont was the home of Gari Melchers from 1916 until his death in 1932 and of his wife Corinne until 1955. The estate was deeded by Corinne Melchers to the state of Virginia in 1942, and, five years after her death, it was placed under the care and administration of Mary Washington College. Belmont has been open to the public since 1975 as a museum memorializing the art of Gari Melchers with displays of a number of his paintings, drawings and prints.

The new book, which is a catalogue of the Belmont collection of Melchers' works, is the first authoritative publication in recent times on the life and work of Gari Melchers. The book is in four parts: an introduction by William H. Gerdts, executive officer of the Ph.D. Program in Art History at City University New York; an art historical essay on Melchers by Joseph G. Dreiss, assistant professor of art history at MWC; a catalogue, also by Dr. Dreiss, discussing 99 works in the collection; and four appendixes on Melchers and his works. I served as organizer of the project and worked with the author in editing, preparing the appendixes, and indexing the book.

Plans for publishing the catalogue were first included in my annual report to the president and the Board of Visitors of Mary Washington College on the operations of Belmont for 1978-79. It was during that year that art history interns from the College, who were working at Belmont, started assembling basic data on paintings in the collection for possible use in such a publication. Finally a project proposal was drafted in 1980 with the hope that we could obtain a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to help cover the cost of publishing the catalogue. The grant never materialized, but, at about the same time, requests went out from Belmont to members of the Stroh family in Detroit who were related to Gari Melchers through his sister, the wife of Julius Stroh, president of the brewing firm in the late 19th century. Several members of the Stroh family, the late John Stroh and his wife; Mr. Stroh's sister, Marguerite; and Peter Stroh, a great nephew of Melchers, made generous contributions, which were tripled by donations from the Stroh Brewery Foundation. This gave Belmont an assurance of adequate funds to complete the project. Later during the production process, former Fredericksburg residents, Robert G. Beck and his wife, made a donation for the publication, which was matched by The Equitable Life Assurance Society of America.

In 1980 Dr. Dreiss was selected to write the essay on Melchers. He had just completed his Ph.D. dissertation on Leon Golub, a contemporary Chicago and New York artist, and he had written many reviews of contemporary art for national art magazines. Since coming to MWC, Dr. Dreiss had become quite familiar with the collections at Belmont in his capacity as faculty supervisor for art history interns working at Belmont. The author started his research and drafts for the essay and catalogue during his summer vacation in 1980 and continued this work on his own time during the rest of that year and into 1981. A manuscript for the catalogue gradually evolved that next spring and was typed in the appropriate format.

In the meantime, negotiations were proceeding to find a publisher. Because of the high cost of publishing art books, the major commercial publishing houses were not willing to assume the financial risk of the project. By mid-1981 the search for a publisher had narrowed to two candidates, and we chose The University Press of Virginia. The selection of this publisher was based on the quality apparent in its publications. Furthermore, the production process would be simplified by the proximity of Fredericksburg to Charlottesville. Since Melchers had served on the Virginia Arts Commission in his later years, it seemed appropriate that the book be published in Virginia.

The selection of William H. Gerdts to write an introduction for the Melchers catalogue also was a logical one. In addition to being one of the country's foremost authorities and prolific writers on this period of American art, Dr. Gerdts had become acquainted briefly with the Belmont collection during a visit here with his wife in 1977. (Michael Quick, one of Dr. Gerdts' graduate students at City University New York, had organized and staged the successful 1976 exhibition entitled "American Expatriate Painters of the Nineteenth Century." That exhibit was instrumental in bringing to public attention such American painters as Melchers, Walter MacEwen and George Hitchcock, along with better-known ones, such as Cassatt, Whistler and Sargent.) Dr. Gerdts wrote his introduction to our catalogue in the summer of 1981, and it joined the budding manuscript and growing pile of photographs that would be the figures and illustrations in the book.

In the summer of 1981, bids were taken for the photography of all of the Melchers' pictures which were to be included in the catalogue, and Ronald Jennings of Richmond was selected to do the work. He came to Belmont on a weekend in November and photographed over 100 works, 30 of them in color and the rest in black and white. For those works hanging on the Studio walls, it was relatively easy for Mr. Jennings to move his

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tripod from one painting to the next. The large number of works in the storeroom, however, had to be carried out one by one and placed on an easel before the camera. Paintings that had been hanging in George Washington Hall and Trinkle Library on the MWC campus were brought back to Belmont for the photo sessions.

Reproductions for illustrations in the catalogue were solicited from museums throughout the United States as well as from the Louvre in Paris, the National Gallery of (East) Berlin, and the National Museum of Contemporary Art in Rome. Correspondence with these foreign museums was sent from Belmont in English but came back in French, German and Italian, challenging the language capabilities of the Belmont staff. Photos for several of the illustrations were taken by Theresa D. Schlachter '63, who, along with her husband, had visited Melchers' former home in Egmond, Holland.

At the end of August 1982, the final typed draft of the essay and catalogue sections, the introduction by Dr. Gerdts, and the appendixes were completed. They, along with the photographs for figures and illustrations and the transparencies for color reproductions, were hand carried to The University Press of Virginia in Charlottesville. Naive as we were about the publishing business, Dr. Dreiss and I thought the staff of The University Press was just waiting for our manuscript with nothing else to do and that they would get at it immediately. However, it was not until May 1983 that the edited typewritten manuscript was returned to Belmont from the desk of Susan Foard, the very capable editor of The University Press.

The manuscript finally was molded into shape by Ms. Foard, the author and me and set into type. In mid-August 1983 Ms. Foard provided us with a production schedule, for which the bottom line was a completed book in June 1984. We began the editing and re-editing of the printed manuscript, proofing and correcting the page proofs, galley, the dummy, the blue lines and color proofs. Once the manuscript was set in type, we began to work



Mrs. Corrine N. Woodard, widow of the late President Prince B. Woodard, was the guest of honor at a party celebrating the publication of Gari Melchers: His Works in the Belmont Collection. The book is dedicated to the late president. With her, from the left, are William M. Anderson Jr., president of MWC, Richard S. Reid, the book's editor and director of Belmont, and Joseph G. Dreiss, the book's author.

with the Design Department of The University Press under the direction of Janet Anderson. This department fitted the text and illustrations on pages and arranged the figures and textual materials in the catalogue section so that pages were balanced and white areas kept to a minimum. The sizes of the illustrations and of the reproductions for the figures were broadly suggested by the author and me, but Ms. Anderson had to compute the exact size for each of her page designs and place them in proximity to the reference in the text. The end result of her efforts is a book that is both easy to read and a delight to the eye.

The printer's difficulties with paper procurement delayed the final production stage: the actual printing of the book. The first copy of the completed Melchers catalogue seen at MWC was on August 30, 1984, by Dr. Dreiss.

All of us who were involved in the pro-

duction of *Gari Melchers: His Works in the Belmont Collection* are pleased and proud of the volume. It promises to be a popular reference work for students of American art studying the period in which Melchers was active. It also will reinforce the interest of those collectors of Melchers' art who have in recent years become aware of Belmont and the Belmont collection.

Richard S. Reid is the director of Belmont, The Gari Melchers Memorial Gallery.

Editor's Note: The book is available to MWC alumni from Belmont, The Gari Melchers Memorial Gallery, 224 Washington St., Falmouth, VA 22405. Clothbound copies are \$37.50 plus \$1.50 sales tax to state residents, and paperbound copies are \$19.95 plus \$.80 sales tax to state residents. For mail orders, add \$1.00 for postage and handling.

WHERE ARE THEY Now?

by Kristine Vawter

Reginald W. Whidden

Exchange a business suit for sturdy work clothes, a lectern for a carpenter's bench, and Marye's Heights for the foothills of the Berkshires. Then the image will begin to emerge of the rustic New England life-style Dean Reginald W. Whidden has chosen for his retirement years, which began in 1970, after a 27-year career unselfishly devoted to Mary Washington College and its students. Dean Whidden joined the faculty in September 1943 as an English professor. After several years dedicated totally to teaching, he was named assistant dean of the College and later assumed the deanship. Yet despite the heavy administrative workload and its demands, Dean Whidden continued to teach on a part-time basis for several years. In recognition of his singular contributions to MWC, the Board of Visitors designated Dean Whidden as a professor emeritus of English after his retirement.

Following his departure from the College, Dean Whidden and his wife, Marjorie, were able to devote even more time and energy to a lifelong interest: restoring old houses. Consequently, the Whiddens went on to refurbish three homes in the Fredericksburg-Richmond area. The dean also remained actively involved in the civic affairs of the Fredericksburg community, serving briefly as the interim director of Kenmore, of which he remains an honorary trustee, and a member of the Bicentennial Commission. But eventually there came the day when the Whiddens decided they needed, as he put it, "to shake ourselves up a bit after living in Fredericksburg for 30 years." Their decision led them to what Dean Whidden fondly refers to as "the ice box of Connecticut." The move to that state really tested their mettle and stamina, because the Whiddens arrived with their household furnishings in 1977 during a fierce snowstorm that only February can produce. Since that time the Whiddens have happily made their home in the picturesque Litchfield Hills, which comprise the foothills of the breathtaking Berkshires in neighboring Massachusetts.

Their home is in Norfolk, Conn., a village with a population of 800. As an added dividend, their daughter, Marjory '60, owns a weekend retreat in the immediate vicinity.

Norfolk also has provided the Whiddens with the opportunity to indulge their passion for renovating old houses once again—this time, their own. They have the gift for transforming a structure into a comfortable home, which has become the center of their activities. In speaking of his own house, Dean Whidden, always interested in the historical aspects of his surroundings, noted that the structure originally belonged to one of the founding settlers of Norfolk, who also established a mill on the site. The dean ventured a construction date estimate, saying the main section of the house was probably built in the first half of the 19th century. Restoring the property required a considerable investment of time and broadened his carpentry skills. Just as he once delighted in a student's academic achievement, the

dean now takes pleasure in building things. He laughingly noted, "Getting up on the rafters is rather precarious now! But I get a certain amount of satisfaction in putting up a building—even though the results are very much like an amateur's!" His building projects have netted him a 24-by-22 garage and a garden shed. (As a holder of a Ph.D. from Yale University, he relishes the fact that the mill dam across from the Whidden residence belongs to that institution. Its small waterfall and rapids delight the Whiddens year-round with the relaxing sounds of tumbling water. Indeed, the Whiddens seem to enjoy the "sunrise to sunset" existence of country living.)

When mentioning his devotion to Mary Washington, his friendliness and his eloquence, the dean's friends are also quick to cite his tennis playing, recalling the dean's participation in vigorous doubles matches. Alas, he has had to give up the sport in Norfolk, but, fortunately, not



Reginald W. Whidden relishes outdoor activities at his Connecticut home.

because of a lack of physical energy—just a lack of partners! Now his physical outlet is walking, and his foot travel, amidst the scenic beauty of the Litchfield Hills, may total anywhere from two to six miles on a daily trek.

Walking also has led him to new avenues of interest and community service. Dean Whidden is on the membership roster of the Norfolk Land Trust, a body that promotes the preservation of public lands and receives gifts of land to the public. Its most recent project had him and other members marking trails in the Norfolk area and reopening unused footpaths. On his daily walks, Dean Whidden has also been involved in some detective work, namely, locating and uncovering mile markers, which had been placed during the 19th century along the main road leading from Norfolk. When the dean completes this mission, the Norfolk Historical Society plans to draw a map and illustrate it with photographs of the old mile markers. Lest the dean's colleagues and students be concerned that he has abandoned his lifelong interest in Shakespeare, classical music, art and local history, these subjects still provide him with endless intellectual stimulation and pleasure.

Just as walking provides outlets for his considerable physical energy, the dean has a diversity of activities that stimulates his intellectual curiosity. For one, he serves as a trustee of the Norfolk Library and takes great pride in the useful function it plays in the lives of his fellow Norfolk residents. For another, he frequently relaxes by enjoying classical music, an activity well served by his extensive phonograph record collection. The Whiddens are also avid supporters of the nearby Yale School of Music and Art, a summer graduate program which sponsors a series of chamber music concerts, featuring such distinguished artists as the Tokyo String Quartet.

Being a scholar, Dean Whidden, is, of course, a voracious reader. But long gone are the books relating to his professional interests. The educator generously donated many of them to his MWC colleagues and the library at Germana Community College after his retirement. Now he opts for more general subjects, such as fiction, history and biography.

After a 27-year career with Mary Washington, it is only natural that Dean Whidden misses the College and feels the occasional nostalgia for those teaching days, when students were eager to enroll in his popular Shakespeare courses. The professor emeritus confessed with a laugh to the recurring dream which transports him from those Litchfield Hills back to Marye's Heights and the familiar classrooms of MWC. "In the dream I'm back in the classroom filled with students, and I'm trying to bluff my way through. Because, you see, I haven't prepared for class!"

Margaret L. Hargrove

"Cherish the past. Live today. Dream tomorrow." This has been Margaret Hargrove's lifelong philosophy, which served her well in her professional career and continues to serve her well in retirement. In her typical exuberant manner she hastens to add her own principle to these guidelines, "Maintain a perspective—in other words, a sense of humor!" Based on her vantage point of 80 years and a life of varied experiences, the retired dean of students knows whereof she speaks.

Her sense of humor had carried her through the daily pressures and the demanding responsibilities of an administrative career to her first retirement, the one from Mary Washington in 1969. It remained her faithful, sustaining resource through an ensuing part-time career at Spalding College in Louisville, Ky., where, in addition to an editorial job, she gave out "a lot of free advice!" (As for taking the position at Spalding after her MWC retirement, she wryly noted, "The Commonwealth of Virginia said I was too old to work, but I certainly didn't feel too old to work!") In 1978 she retired a second and final time. After leaving Spalding, Miss Hargrove decided on a further change: She moved from Louisville across the winding Ohio River to the Westminster Village Kentuckiana retirement community in Clarksville, Ind. Her sense of humor—always rising to the occasion—helped her avert what could have evolved into an uncomfortable situation there. A few of her newfound friends and fellow residents were hovering on the brink of awe regarding her academic title. Sensing this, she quickly informed them, "Anyone who calls me dean or doctor is subject to sudden death!"

Miss Hargrove has found her "three C's" as valuable to her life as her sense of humor—the "three C's" being the (retirement) complex, the church and the community. The retired dean focuses her energies and intellect on them, and, in turn, they provide substance to her life.

In the retirement complex, she participates in a "Great Decisions" discussion group, which studies the national and international political scene. Although she admits to keeping busier with things of the mind rather than things of the body, Miss Hargrove joins her friends for thrice-weekly exercise classes. She also will help out when there is a player shortage for bridge games, and her bingo playing is more for the fun and fellowship rather than devotion to the game. She said in her characteristic good humor, "You can tell I've reached the height or depth of boredom when I decide to play bingo!"

Her "complex" activities don't end with mere participation. Always interested in politics and government, Miss

Hargrove researched and wrote the by-laws of the Residents Association, in which she is highly active; she also functions in the chairmanship of two groups, the Spiritual Life Committee and the Library Committee.

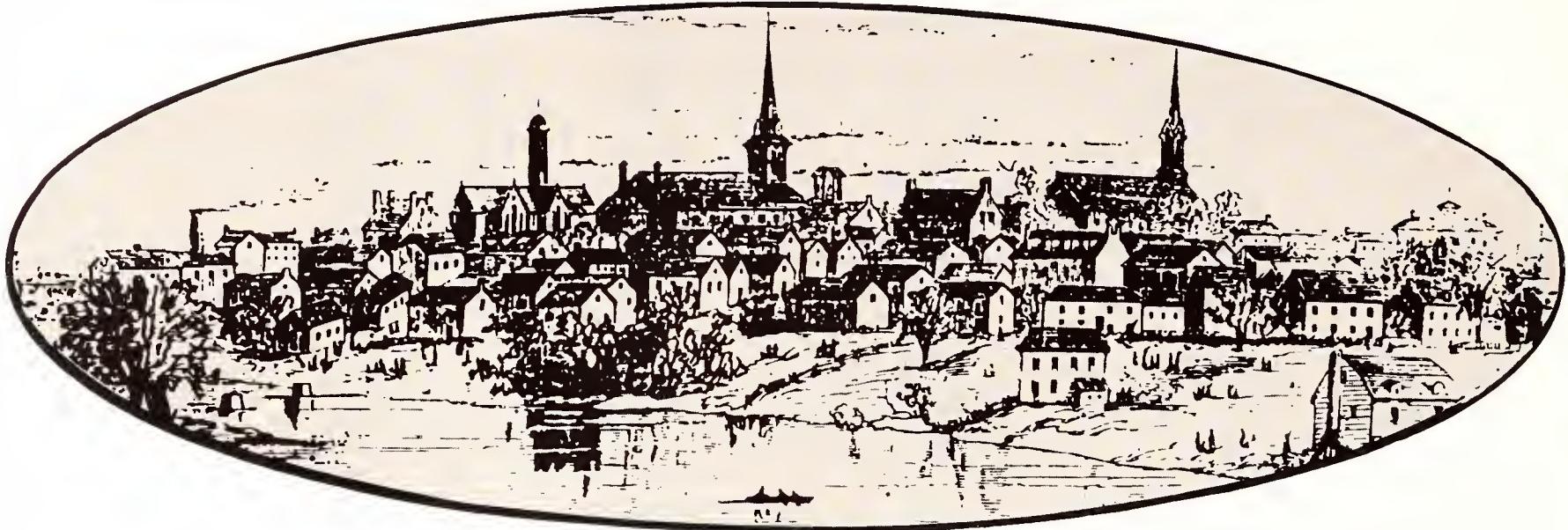
When not tending to her "complex" duties and involvements, Miss Hargrove makes the short but picturesque trip across the river bridge to Louisville, the center of her community and church activities. Maintaining a membership in a Presbyterian church, Miss Hargrove also devotes time to the Special Projects Committee of the Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. She serves on the board of Louisville's Senior House, Inc., a center for senior citizen activities. In addition, her cultural interests are varied and are well served by this charming southern city. Miss Hargrove has season tickets to the Louisville Orchestra, the Louisville Ballet, and the renowned Actors Theatre of Louisville. Back "across river" she regularly attends performances of the Clarksville Little Theatre and the travelogues of the Kiwanis Club.

Mention of the latter activity touches upon another favorite interest of Miss Hargrove's: travel. During her academic career, she frequently traveled, both for business and pleasure. These early journeys had an interesting cultural and geographic diversity. She travelled extensively in the United States and also visited Europe, Puerto Rico, Guatemala, Africa and England. Being a professor emeritus of classics, she naturally found her favorite cities to be Rome and Athens. Today Miss Hargrove, a self-proclaimed "arm chair traveller," does her exploring of new lands by way of her voluminous reading, although she managed two recent trips, one to Natchez, Miss., and the other to Colorado. During the latter trip, Miss Hargrove, who is always eager for new experiences, tested a hot tub and found it to be "quite exhilarating and relaxing."

Miss Hargrove last returned to her beloved MWC campus when her niece Lisa Gray McKeachie graduated in 1980. Mrs. McKeachie, who is a harp instructor at the College, and Miss Hargrove's former colleagues now provide the information link between Miss Hargrove and Mary Washington.

At the end of many a busy day, Miss Hargrove finds comfort in her lovely cherry rocker, which bears the MWC seal. It is here that she can pause and reflect on new goals. In fact, President Grellet C. Simpson once remarked that this dean of students was never at a loss for, as he put it, "new horizons." Anyone involved in the search for fulfillment, satisfaction and meaning in life need only to emulate the remarkable Miss Hargrove, who finds life a joyous, rewarding adventure. Her formula is expressed simply, "Cherish the past. Live today. Dream tomorrow." And don't forget a sense of humor!

Historic Preservation Update



Director of the Center for Historic Preservation, Carter L. Hudgins, and Assistant Director, John N. Pearce, have added a new look to the Center's popular fall programs. During October and November the Center sponsored a series of lectures that brought six eminent conservators to the campus to offer prescriptions for the care and repair of antiques. Ms. Becky Sudsbury, curator of textiles at The Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts in Winston-Salem, was the inaugural speaker in the series, "A Conservation Sampler." From her lively discussion of quilts and coverlets to the presentation by Ms. Carolyn Rose of the Smithsonian Institution's Museum of Natural History on a conservation strategy for small museums, the series provided an unmatched opportunity for collectors and staff members of local history museums in the College's region to hear experts on the conservation of paintings, wood, metal, textiles, paper and archaeological finds. During the last five years, the Center for Historic Preservation has sponsored a number of distinguished lectures and conferences that have focused on the restoration of buildings and which have been beneficial to preservationists. By sponsoring "A Conservation Sampler" and lectures like it, the Center hopes it can continue to address the needs and interests of collectors and museums.

Every year on the first Saturday in December the Center presents its very popular Yuletide program, "Christmas With All the Trimmings." This year's program

was, like its predecessors, extremely popular. Jan Williams again demonstrated her wizardry with holiday greenery. Six lucky participants in her workshop won the arrangements she created during a morning workshop. During the afternoon a standing-room-only audience heard two witty and appropriately festive lectures by Louise Conway Belden, research associate at the Henry Francis duPont Winterthur Museum, and Betty C. Monkman, associate curator of The White House. Ms. Belden illustrated her lecture, "The Festive Tradition," with slides taken from historical engravings and table settings she has recreated for Winterthur. Ms. Monkman punctuated her talk, "Holidays at the President's House," with photographs and artifacts from The White House collections and excerpts from the writings of former men and women who attended holiday gatherings there. As has become the tradition for "Christmas With All the Trimmings," the day ended with a festive reception, held this year at Belmont, where a display of historic table settings complemented a holiday tea.

In the coming months the Center will sponsor a spring lecture series as well as its annual preservation conference which is scheduled for June 6-8, 1985. The tentative title for this popular annual event is "Landscapes, Streetscapes, Waterscapes." For additional information about this and other preservation programs, please contact the Center for Historic Preservation, 1301 College Ave., Fredericksburg, VA 22401-5358.

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MWC Women's Tennis: Another Exciting Aspect of College Life

by
Terry I. Bonner

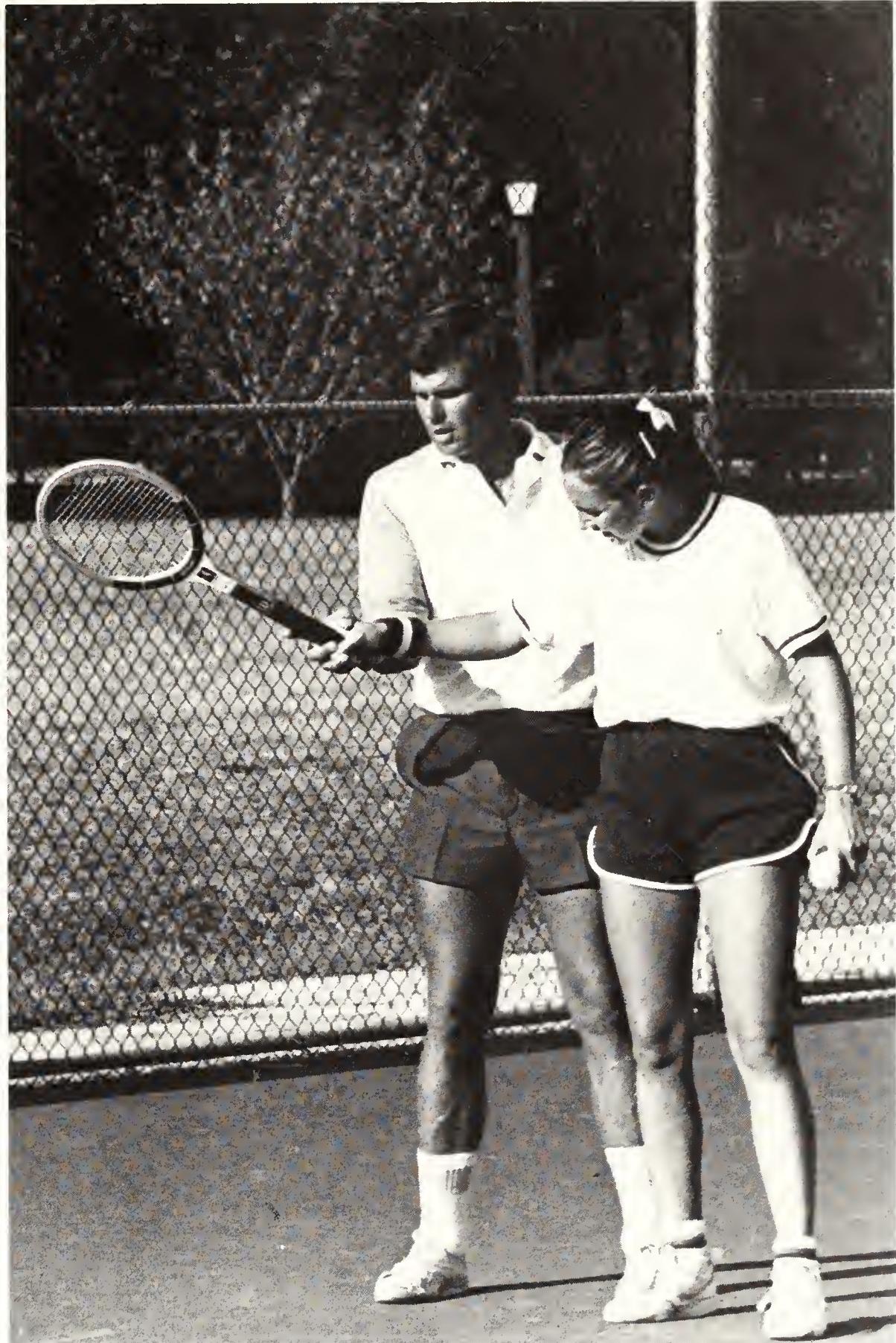
Mary Washington College has turned the academic side of college life into an exciting proposition. From an expanding internship program to burgeoning computer classes to a developing graduate school, MWC's recent strides have added excitement to the wealth of pride already established in the College community.

But another side of College life, the athletic side, has also become a source of pride. The College's 18 intercollegiate sports teams have notched stellar contest records and quality performances on state, regional and national levels and have brought Mary Washington College's name into the spotlight. The entire athletic program is becoming increasingly well-known for outstanding play. In fact, a portion of that program, the women's tennis team, has become one of the best in the nation.

"I would have to say our overall tennis program is one of the top five in the country," said MWC's tennis coach and athletic director, Edward Hegmann II. "Based on our facilities (10 lighted tennis courts in the Battleground complex), our weather, location, academic reputation, cost and our tennis success, we have to be one of the best."

That tennis success translates into impressive records and national tournament selection. In fact, in the last three seasons, the MWC Blue Tide team has won a national championship and placed fourth nationally three times. While dominating fellow Division III teams, MWC has become the only Division III team to reach four national tournaments and one of only four to go to three such tournaments in that three-year period.

After the 1984 fall season the team was well on its way to another appearance at a national event with a fourth-place national ranking in the Intercollegiate Tennis



Coach Ed Hegmann gives some tennis pointers to one of his students.

Coaches Association Poll. Although five freshmen and a sophomore composed the fall season's top six lineup, MWC rolled to a 10-1 dual match record. The women shut out six opponents and finished ahead of 15 Division I and II teams in play at two tournaments.

Hegmann's recipe for success is simple. He explains it as "dedication, depth and doubles." The time given to their tennis exemplified the players' dedication. In addition, after a full fall season, Hegmann taped some games of competition, then reviewed the tapes with the team, examining positions and strokes. In January and February, the women practiced in-

doors. This year for the first time they will take a spring break trip. "We will play in a tournament in Atlanta (at Emory University)," Hegmann said. "Then we'll go to Hilton Head, S.C., and work out for six days. We will come back and be ready for a 14-match spring season."

"Our depth is one of the reasons we have become one of the top teams in the country," Hegmann continued. "Over the years we have been extremely successful at the four, five and six positions, the lower end of the ladder. That is where our strength has always been." During the fall season, freshman Noelle Labar from Midlothian, Va., was undefeated in 11

matches at number five on the ladder. Lisa Cope, a sophomore from Dale City, Va., ran her career record to 40-8 and stayed unbeaten in fall season dual matches in the sixth spot. And Karin Whitt, another freshman, played in only one fall season match, but she showed just how strong the Blue Tide lineup was. She stepped into the sixth singles spot when an injury to a teammate forced her in, and this Harrisonburg, Va., native not only won the match, but won all the games within that match.

That crew takes the place of such past players as Julie Collins, a 1984 graduate who won a national championship in flight five singles, and Deeanne Wardman, another 1984 graduate who was national champion and two-time All American, filling the team's number four spot for much of her career.

Doubles decided four fall matches, all in MWC's favor, showing why that portion of a match is Hegmann's pet project. "I believe strong, aggressive doubles play is the key to team success," he said. That style of doubles play has become a trademark of Mary Washington College tennis.

But Hegmann's "three D's" would not be successful if talented players did not fill the roster. But, of course, they do.

"Now we have four players in our top six who could go to the NCAA's national individual tournament at some point in their careers, and all of them are freshmen," Hegmann laughed. Michele Marangi from Ridgewood, NJ., and Krissy Andrews from Glens Falls, N.Y., numbers one and two on the fall team ladder respectively, have the ability to join that 32-person national field this year, their coach believes. Noelle Labar, at five, "has unlimited potential," Hegmann said, and regional scholar Suzie Groah from Reston, Va., was 9-2 at number three on the ladder last fall. And a fifth player, tiny four-foot-11 Lisa Cope, "probably does not have the power to compete on a national level," he continued. So all she has done is fashion a 40-8 career record!

The combination of dedication and talent has resulted in post-season tournament selection, an impressive accomplishment in itself, but also in domination within MWC's non-scholarship Division III. Aside from national tournament appearances, MWC has nearly shut out fellow Division members. The Blue Tide's record over the past five regular seasons versus Division III opponents is 58-2. Those two losses, one in 1980 and another in 1984, hardly offset 50 consecutive victories.

The tennis team's successes show just how varied Mary Washington College has become. Members of the College community can boast of any number of things, and one of these is a tennis team of national caliber.

Terry I. Bonner is sports information director at MWC.

Faculty Highlights

Kari D. Anderson and James E. Bales, readers services librarians, and T. Conizene Durrett and Glenys Gifford, library assistants, represented the College at the 1984 Conference of the Virginia Library Association, which was held in Norfolk.

James E. Baker, professor of music and chairperson of the Department of Music, gave a presentation on "Traditional Music Courses Approved for Inclusion in the General Education Component of the B. A. Degree at Mary Washington College." This presentation was part of a panel entitled "General Education and Its Impact on Music Programs" and was a part of the annual meeting of the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM) in Washington, D.C.

J. Christopher Bill, associate professor of psychology and chairperson of the Department of Psychology, attended a meeting on "Computer Applications in Psychology" at Gettysburg (Pa.) College and presented a paper, "On Teaching Computer Applications in Social Science: From Mainframes to Micros." He also participated in a poster/demonstration session, "Computer Software Used by Psychologists in Virginia," at the fall meeting of the Virginia Psychological Association in Lynchburg. His demonstration was titled "CONDUIT Packages in Psychology and Human Systematic Dynamics Statistical Programs."

Nathaniel H. Brown, professor of English, contributed two works to the *Keats-Shelley Journal*. One was an article, "The 'Double Soul': Virginia Woolf, Shelley and Androgyny," and the other, a review of *Shelley Revalued: Essays from the Gregynog Conference*.

Steven L. Czarsty, chairperson of the Department of Business and Public Administration and director of the Master of Business Administration Program, attended a seminar of the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business Chairmen. The seminar, which was held in Houston, Texas, was devoted to workshops on recruiting, administering and fund-raising.

Daniel A. Dervin, professor of English, authored two books, *Through a Freudian Lens Deeply: A Psychoanalysis of Cinema* and *A Strange Sapience: The Creative Imagination of D. H. Lawrence*. His "Parricidal Cycles and Vicissitudes of Heresy: The Fate of Heinz Kohut During the American Psychoanalytical Meetings, 1977-1982," was published in *The Many Faces of Psychohistory*. He also wrote a review of Leo Rangell's *The Mind of Watergate* published in *The Journal of Psychohistory*.

Stephen W. Fuller, professor of biological sciences and chairperson of the Department of Biological Sciences, attended the fall meeting of the Atlantic Estuarine Research Society of Salisbury, Md. Mr. Fuller serves as the society's program chairman.

Roy F. Gratz, associate professor of chemistry and chairperson of the Department of Chemistry and Geology, partic-

ipated in "Operation Interface Virginia '84," which was sponsored by the National Office of the American Chemical Society under the direction of its Virginia Section. The meeting was held at Virginia Commonwealth University and gave industrial and academic chemists an opportunity to discuss mutual concerns about chemical education.

Joseph E. Holmes and Patricia J. Pierce, associate professors of mathematical sciences, attended the state Department of Education's Mathematics Conference at Virginia Beach.

Carter L. Hudgins, director of the Center for Historic Preservation, lectured on "The Role of Historical Archaeology in Local Preservation" for Northumberland Preservation, Inc. He also delivered a paper, "Exactly as the Gentry Do in England: Class, Aspiration, and Material Things in Eighteenth Century Chesapeake" to the 45th Conference on Early American History, which was held in Baltimore. The Institute for Early American History and Culture and Johns Hopkins University sponsored the conference as part of the celebration of Maryland's 350th year. Hudgins, along with John N. Pearce, assistant director of the Center, were featured speakers in a series of architectural lectures held at the Gadsby's Tavern Museum in Alexandria, Va. Mr. Hudgins addressed the subject of Georgian architecture and Mr. Pearce, Federal architecture. Both men illustrated their lectures with slide presentations.

William Kemp, associate professor of English, presented "Identity, Gender and Family in McMurtry's *Terms of Endearment*" at the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities and Public Policy's program on the family, which took place at the Montross (Va.) Public Library. In addition, he and Roy H. Smith, professor of psychology, wrote a chapter entitled "Animals, Communication, and Language," which was included in the fourth edition of *Language: Introductory Readings*.

Richard J. Krickus, professor of political science, participated in the "MIT/Harvard Summer Program on Nuclear Weapons and Arms Control" in Cambridge, Mass. He also delivered a paper entitled "The Superpowers and Crisis Prevention" at the Air Force Academy.

Stephen L. Lipscomb, chairperson of the Department of Mathematical Sciences and Physics, attended the American Mathematics Society's National Chairpersons meeting.

Richard J. McCann, instructor in English, read several of his new poems at the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C., and had several poems published in *Poetry Northwest*.

Shah M. Mehrabi, assistant professor of economics, attended two conferences. The first was the 48th annual meeting of the Midwest Economic Association, at which he chaired a session on foreign

trade entitled "Impacts on Domestic Economy." At the second conference, that of The Association for The Advancement of Science, Policy and Research, he presented a paper, "Framework for Promotion of Appropriate Technology in the Third World."

"Leonardo's 'Battle of Anghiari': Proposals for Some Sources and a Reflection" is the title of an article by Barbara S. Meyer, professor of art, in a recent issue of *The Art Bulletin*.

Thomas G. Moeller, associate professor of psychology, attended the annual convention of the Association for the Advancement of Behavior Therapy, which was held in Philadelphia.

Philip I. Morgan, assistant professor of business administration, wrote an article, "The Manager and Midlife Crisis: What Can Be Done?" The work was accepted for publication by the *Training and Development Journal*.

Denis Nissim-Sabat, associate professor of psychology, and his co-authors, Kathy McCune, Melanie Stith, and William H. Farr, received a Special Merit Award for Outstanding Research from the Division of Community Psychology of the American Psychological Association. Their paper, "Community Mental Health Centers and Insurance Reimbursements," was presented at the APA's annual meeting in Toronto.

Cornelia D. Oliver, professor of art, attended the landscape preservation sessions at the annual meeting of the National Trust for Historic Preservation in Baltimore.

John N. Pearce, assistant professor of historic preservation and assistant director of the Center for Historic Preservation, served as the keynote speaker with his address, "Drawing Up the Curtain—Setting the Scene," for a seminar, "Collector's Care: Hang It, Drape It or Sit on It: Bed Hangings, Window Curtains, and Upholstery in the American Home," at the Henry Francis duPont Winterthur Museum in Wilmington, Del. He also spoke on "The Local Quest," an in-service program on historic preservation for elementary, middle and high school teachers in the Stafford County Va., school system. A lecture, "Current Issues in Historic Preservation," was delivered to a chapter meeting of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities in Lexington, Va. In a lecture to the North Stafford, Va., High School History Club, he compared and discussed aspects of archaeology and historic preservation.

Donald R. Peebles, assistant professor of mathematics, attended the annual Maryland-D.C.-Virginia Mathematical Association of America's meeting at the U.S. Naval Academy, where he presented a slide/lecture on "Are the Japanese Really Ahead in Mathematics Education?"

Aniano Pena, associate professor of modern foreign languages, accompanied a group of nine MWC students to summer

school at the University of Madrid. During his stay at the university, he taught a graduate course on the Spanish Romantic theater. Mr. Pena is a member of the board of directors of FORSPRO (Foreign Study Program, Inc.) and belongs to FORSPRO's teaching faculty in Madrid. He also wrote "La Volkerpsychologie y Campos de Castilla" published in *Hispanic Literatures*.

Robert S. Rycroft, associate professor of economics and chairperson of the Department of Economics, attended a conference on "The Moral Foundations of Civil Rights Policy" at College Park, Md. Other faculty members at that meeting were Janet F. Wishner, associate professor of philosophy and chairperson of the Department of Classics, Philosophy and Religion; James M. Baley, assistant professor of philosophy; and Carol S. Manning, assistant professor of English.

John R. Tucker, assistant professor of mathematical sciences, attended the fall meeting of the Maryland-District of Columbia-Virginia Section of the Mathematical Association of America. It was held at the U.S. Naval Academy.

George M. Van Sant, professor of philosophy, presented the biennial lecture on law and philosophy at the William James Forum at Washington College in Chestertown, Md.

Fred T. Whitman, instructor in business administration, reviewed four papers and served as discussant of the paper, "The Buying Game: An Experiential Approach to Developing an Industrial Marketing Orientation," at the annual meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Marketing Association in Orlando, Fla. In addition, he wrote "Implementing What We Already Know," an article appearing in the *Marine Corps Gazette*.

Events on Campus

Education is by no means limited to the confines of the formal classroom at MWC as the impressive array of recent special events readily attests. At these events, learned scholars and distinguished artists shared their knowledge and experience on a diversity of subjects, ranging from alchemy to medieval saints to neurochemistry to autobiography.

July

The Chatham Orchestra Institute of MWC, dedicated to encouraging and cultivating the talents of young musicians, presented its annual concert... Two rare books—*Journal of a Six Weeks Tour* by Mary and Percy Bysshe Shelley and *Satires of Circumstance* by Thomas Hardy—were donated to Trinkle Library by Padma Rao, former Indian exchange professor at MWC... The College welcomed Governor Charles S. Robb and state School Superintendent S. John Davis to a special program hosted by the Governor's School for the Gifted... John Alan Kinniburgh of McLean,

Va., was elected rector of the Board of Visitors; Rita Morgan Stone '52 of Alexandria, Va., was elected vice rector; Kathleen P. Mayer '78, of Great Falls, Va., was elected secretary...

August

Dr. Peter DeVries of the Medical College of Virginia discussed his research on multiple sclerosis in a lecture entitled "Neurochemistry: Molecules of the Mind"... The Department of History and American Studies announced plans for a lecture series on the expansion of man's frontiers entitled "Discovery: Frontiers and Explorers Through the Ages"...

September

A solo exhibition of drawings by Klaus Kallenberger opened the 1984-85 season at duPont Galleries... Dr. Walter M. Holmes, professor of microbiology at the Medical College of Virginia, lectured on "Recombinant DNA Technology," which concerned the latest technology involved in gene splicing... Hugh D. Keogh, deputy director of the Virginia Division of Industrial Development, was the keynote speaker at the 6th Annual Business Men's Breakfast, sponsored by the Department of Business and Public Administration... MWC's Public Education Services was serving as a depository for the elementary and secondary school books offered by publishers for adoption as textbooks in Virginia's public schools... The National Committee for Digital Cartography Data Standards hosted a meeting on campus about computerized mapping... "Two Figure Painters: Gayle Cole / M. Wayne Dyer," a two-person show of paintings focusing on the figure as theme and motif, was staged as the second exhibition in the 1984-85 season at the duPont Galleries...

October

Wallace Fowlie, the James B. Duke professor emeritus of romance languages at Duke University, novelist, poet and critic, spoke on "On Writing Autobiography" as the 1984-85 Visiting Scholar from Phi Beta Kappa... The third show in the duPont Galleries' season was a solo exhibit of Linda Horvitz Post's oils, pastels and monotypes... Dr. Jeffrey J. W. Baker, author and senior fellow of science and social progress at Wesleyan University, spoke on "The Nature of Science and Religious Thought"... The College-Community Symphony Orchestra presented a concert, featuring several Beethoven compositions... Ruth Steiner, professor of music history at Catholic University of America, lectured on "Visions, Death, and the Devil in Medieval Saints' Lives"... It was announced that James Farmer, nationally recognized civil rights activist, would teach a course, "The Civil Rights Movement in the 20th Century,"

during the spring semester... MWC was designated as an Elderhostel host institution for 1984-85. The Elderhostel movement helps serve the educational needs of older adults...

November

MWC's Department of Education co-sponsored an appearance by Jim Trelease, award-winning artist and author of *The Read Aloud Handbook*, who spoke on "Reading Aloud: Motivating Children to Make Books into Friends, Not Enemies"... Federal and state scientists and environmentalists participated in a forum on "The Chesapeake Bay: Policy and Planning for the Year 2000"... A three-part lecture series on "The Investment Arena: An Overview" began, sponsored by the College and Omicron Delta Epsilon, which is the National Economics Honorary Society... The MWC Chorus, the Old World Consort, and the College Madrigal Singers appeared in concert... Barry C. Bishop, assistant to the president of the National Geographic Society, spoke on "The Rise of Geographic Societies"... Janet Ketchum and Peter Segal, renowned flute and guitar duo, performed in concert... The MWC Dance Company gave its annual concert, featuring student performers and original choreography and music by faculty members... John C. Pavlik, curator of the Fisher Alchemical and Historical Picture Collection, which is in Pittsburgh, spoke on "Art and Alchemy" in a lecture sponsored by the Department of Chemistry and Geology... The College selected a new librarian for Trinkle Library: LeRoy Sterling Strohl III, who was director of the library at Emory & Henry College for 15 years... The works of student artists comprised the "Student Landscapists" exhibit at duPont galleries... The College-Community Symphony Orchestra presented its immensely popular "POPS" concert in Dodd Auditorium...

December

"A Christmas Jubilee," featuring several of the College's vocal groups, introduced the holiday season on campus...



Washington, D.C.-Metropolitan Chapter

The Washington, D.C.-Metropolitan Chapter of the Mary Washington College Alumni Association is once again preparing for its spring activities. March will feature a panel discussion of MWC faculty members with a potluck dinner, "New Directions for Our School." April will once again bring the annual reception for this area's new students and their parents. In late spring a luncheon is planned at Brompton.

I would also like to mention again the passing of a very special alumna and faithful friend of Mary Washington College, Jane Knight Stuckey '65.

Peninsula Chapter

The Peninsula Chapter met with the Tidewater Chapter in January at a luncheon where student leaders were featured speakers. A reception for local high school students offered admission and a covered-dish luncheon are planned for the spring. Our Chapter is proud of the number of its members that serve on the national level: Sylvia McJilton Woodcock and Gwen Amory Cumming on the Board of Visitors, Clara Boyd Wheeler and Irene Lundy Brown on the Foundation Board, Nancy Powell Sykes and Merrilyn Sawyer Dodson on the Alumni Association Board of Directors. Alumni in the Hampton-Newport News-York County-Poquoson-Williamsburg area should contact Nancy Sykes at (804) 898-3077 for more information.



IN MEMORY

Jane Knight Stuckey

The Washington, D.C.-Metropolitan Chapter mourns the passing of its founding member, Jane Knight Stuckey '65. Jane died of cancer at her home in Arlington, Va., September 22, 1984. She is survived by her husband of 11 years, James E. Stuckey, three stepchildren, and her mother, Margaret H. Knight.

At the time of her death, Jane was secretary of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, a position she had held since the commission's founding in 1975. She was praised by all the past chairmen of the commission for establishing and operating the effective secretariat. Before joining the commission, she had worked with the Methodist Conference of Chaplains, served as executive secretary at the Peace Corps, and served as deputy director of the executive secretariat at the old Federal Energy Administration.

Outside the office, friends remember Jane as a tireless and enthusiastic worker, involved in many causes. She served on the Speakers Bureau of the Hospice of Northern Virginia as well as taught cardi-

opulmonary resuscitation for that organization. She was an active member of Faith Lutheran Church of Arlington.

Jane played a major role in establishing the Washington, D.C.-Metropolitan Chapter in 1982. She was elected as the Chapter's first president in 1982. She was instrumental in the formulation and execution of various Chapter events, such as an art show in Washington, which proved to be the catalyst for establishing the Chapter, and a dance concert in Fairfax, which featured soloists from New York and the College. In April 1983 under Jane's guidance, the chapter hosted an extremely successful reception for high school seniors in the Washington area who had been accepted by Mary Washington. Jane was also involved in planning for the successful celebration of the College's 75th Anniversary.

To say that Jane will be missed by family, co-workers and friends is indeed an understatement. It is doubtful whether anyone who had contact with her will forget her dedication to whatever cause she was involved with and her stamina and courage in facing the cancer that eventually took her life.



The Fredericksburg Chapter of the Alumni Association sponsors a number of activities to finance its projects which, in turn, benefit the College. In the photo above, Alice Schermerhorn Raines '78, president of the Chapter, and Lois J. Embrey, bookkeeper for alumni programs, are pictured with homemade birthday cakes which are ordered by students' families and made and delivered by the Chapter members. In the photo below, Laura Ann Ewers Cline '77 found herself surrounded by balloons when the Chapter blew up and tied hundreds of balloons for delivery to students on Halloween night.



NETWORKING . . . A HELPING HAND!

A program designed to aid both students and alumni in regard to career options is currently under development by the MWC Alumni Association's Student-Alumni Relations Committee. This program is similar to ones presently operating in several outstanding colleges and universities throughout the country.

The program is twofold in nature. First, a directory will be published of alumni, faculty and administration listing occupations, titles and geographic locations. The directory will be used primarily as a resource, whereby alumni and friends (who have chosen to participate) may be contacted and asked various questions about their particular fields.

The second stage of this program is the establishment of a mentor system which would provide an opportunity for direct observation of career options. Students and alumni participants will be screened and matched through the Alumni Association. The participants themselves will designate a mutually convenient time to meet at the mentor's work setting. The degree of involvement during this information gathering session will be decided by the mentor and student alike.

Neither the directory nor the mentor program are intended to be used to solicit employment. The directory will be published triannually, and the mentor program will be renewed yearly.

The expansion of programs, including the master's degree program, has opened new avenues for MWC students and expanded career options as well. With the assistance of alumni and friends, a very positive and active role for both MWC undergraduates and graduates can be provided. Networking is a key link during a very difficult decision-making process.

If you are interested in either or both aspects of the career networking, please contact the Alumni Office, Box 1315 College Station, Fredericksburg, VA 22402-1315.

CLASS NOTES

at MWC

I would like to thank all of the class agents and alumni submitting news, and I'd like to encourage all of you to let us know what you are doing. The Class Notes section of *MWC Today* depends on your participation, and I welcome any questions or comments. Please send in your cards and letters!

Suzanne Smithson Hall '75
Vice President for Classes

Golden Club News 1912-1934

If there is no class agent listed for your class and you graduated between 1912-34, send your class notes to:

Louise Gordon Davies '29
19 Indiantown Road
King George, VA 22485

1914

Nancy Oliver Foster
P.O. Box 93
Irvington, VA 22480

The only news I have is that **Helen Phillips** has moved to the Richmond Westminster-Canterbury Home, and **Ella Garnet Hoskins** is on the Eastern Shore. I have not been able to get information about my best friend, **Sue Walker Jones**. If anyone has any information, I'd like to have it.

(Mrs. Foster is retiring as class agent. Many thanks for your years of service and a job well done.)

1915

Our sympathies are extended to the family of **Ruth Carter Vellines** who died July 22, 1984. Mrs. Vellines resided in Glen Allen, Va., and served as class agent for many, many years. In March 1983 she participated in the 75th Anniversary procession at MWC and was the oldest representative there.

1922

Mrs. Anita Pepmeier Bennett
RR 2, Box 260-A
Woodford, VA 22580

Anita Pepmeier Bennett sees **Lucy Freeman Jeter** several times a month at the Caroline County Garden Club and women's club meetings and reports that she is happy, energetic and healthy. Anita and her sister, **Irene Leonard**, visited **Peachey Spindle Pitman** in Williamsburg in September and had a delightful lunch at the Williamsburg Inn.

1929

Helen Van Denburg Hall
Box C 61
Locust Hill, VA 23092

Homecoming was delightful this year. I roomed in Mason and had as my suite-mates my son and his wife, **Dorothea Shenk Hall** '54.

Those from our class who were present were **Louise Gordon Davies**, **Camilla Moody Payne**, **Peggy Branch Britton**, **Grace Pendleton Garritt** and I.

The weather cooperated splendidly for the buffet at Brompton and the luncheon at Trench Hill.

I hope more of you will plan to be present next year and enjoy the festivities.

1934

Helen Bell Sharp (Mrs. C.W.)
618 Appomattox St.
Hopewell, VA 23860

Mary Virginia Willson
Route 2, Box 217F
Leesburg, VA 22075

From Helen:

Homecoming 1984, May 18-20, was a memorable weekend for the members of the class of 1934, who were afforded the opportunity to share collections of memories and experiences covering a 50-year span.

Mary Virginia Willson, **Jo Osborn Ashton** and **Nellie Mae Stewart Swank** devoted many hours of effort in making the homecoming one of the most successful. **Mary Virginia Willson**, assisted by **Jo Osborn Ashton**, prepared for us the 50th anniversary booklet, containing a current roster of those with missing addresses and a memorial section containing the names of 22 deceased members. **Mary Anne Ratner Levy** gave permission for the use of material from her 45th reunion booklet. **Nellie Mae Stewart Swank**, class agent for 20 years, served as reunion coordinator. She went to Europe the week after the reunion. The reunion's highlights were: a cocktail buffet in the Rose Garden at Brompton, home of President and Mrs. Anderson; a forum in Dodd Auditorium of George Washington Hall on the subject

"Focus on MWC Tomorrow" with the college administration, faculty and students participating; annual meeting of the Alumni Association with presentation of alumni awards and a slide show starring reunion classes.

In the afternoon there was a luncheon on the lawn at Trench Hill, the new alumni house, followed by a tour of the beautifully decorated rooms. The class meeting, conducted by Mary Virginia and with refreshments arranged by Nellie Mae, was held in Virginia Hall, a place familiar to all but vastly improved. We were delighted to have as our guest Dr. Eileen Kramer Dodd, professor emeritus of psychology, who appeared to have changed less than anyone present. **Ann Huddleston Sanford**, class agent since 1980, resigned because of poor health, and a new agent, **Helen Bell Sharp**, was selected.

The Golden Club cocktail party and reunion dinner followed at Seacobeck Hall. The evening ended for the younger and heartier members at a Homecoming party with Levin Houston—ACL Ballroom.

Sunday morning breakfast in Seacobeck Hall was an opportunity for final farewells and vows to see each other at MWC before another 50 years has passed!

February is the deadline for news for the summer issue of *MWC Today*. Please help your new class agent.

From Mary Virginia:

Please remember the February 1985 deadline for class news and write to **Helen Bell Sharp**. **Ann Huddleston Sanford**, our former class agent, who lives in Bradenton, Fla., had little cooperation in collecting class news. She felt this was due to her being out of state. Remember Helen lives right here in Virginia. As one grows older, memories of friends are very precious. Former classmates fit that category. Write!

Jo Osborn Ashton, **Nellie Mae Stewart Swank** and I were so happy to make a contribution to Homecoming. We were delighted to see so many of the class attending the event and thank each of you for making the effort to be at MWC. Also, many thanks to those of you who took the time to write and send greetings, even though you could not be with us.

Nellie Mae and her husband planned to tour Europe in May. They discovered that the tour date and Homecoming conflicted. Bless them! They changed their tour time. We appreciate this because a class reunion without Nellie Mae would have been disastrous. She has kept the flame lighted these many years and has faithfully attended all reunions.

I presided at the class meeting but pulled a boo-boo. (Guess age is beginning to take its toll.) I should have asked someone to serve as secretary, so we would have exact minutes from the meeting. I neglected to do this, thereby making Helen's task rather difficult. She was chos-

en our new class agent toward the end of our meeting, so no one had made notes.

About mid-summer I wrote asking how I might assist her in writing her class notes but got no reply. No wonder! In June she moved a typewriter and in so doing crushed a vertebra. She was bedridden for five or more weeks in great pain. In addition, she still holds public office in Hopewell, a position which carries much responsibility.

Our vice president for classes is **Suzanne Smithson Hall '75**. She will coordinate all class agents' notes for *MWC Today*.

Jo Griffith Kleiner's son, who is a commercial artist, drew a poster for the reunion. Unfortunately it did not arrive in time for Jo to bring it with her. She will plan to take it to the 1985 Homecoming. She and I plan to attend next May. We hope other members of the Class of 1934 will join us. Start planning to do so now. We will drive down from Leesburg, my home base, on Saturday morning and attend the luncheon and the class meeting. By doing that we should have time to see and talk with everyone.

If you did not obtain a class reunion booklet and want one, there are a few left at the alumni office. Write for your copy and renew acquaintances with friends of yesteryear. We now have time to write to friends since our families are grown and we are retired. Names and addresses of classmates are in the booklet.

Mark your calendars for these coming events: (1) Write Helen soon, and (2) Circle Homecoming in May and plan to join us.

1935

Mrs. Loretta Folger Duffy
11 Hazelton Road
Barrington, RI 02806

1936

Ethel Nelson Wetmore
107 Manteo Ave.
Hampton, VA 23661

The class extends its sympathy to **Mary Alice Turman Carper** whose husband died in the spring of 1983. He came with Mary Alice to our 45th reunion in 1981.

The winner of the first Mary Washington College Alumni Association Service Award, presented at Homecoming 1984, was our own classmate, **Frances Liebenow Armstrong**. This award is presented to a graduate who has served the College in a significant way. Frances' accomplishments are many. She taught school in the Fredericksburg system for 45 years. During those years, she worked in many ways with the Fredericksburg Chapter, serving as vice president and president. She also continues to serve on the alumni board. Since her retirement from teaching, she has worked at the College in the President's Office. Congratulations,

Frances, on receiving this award!

In September 1983 **Frances Curtis Smith Kapfer** went to Greece, where she met her son and his wife who live in Australia. They were in Greece for a week and went to the Greek islands on a big cruise ship.

Susie Dickinson Hudson visited her sisters, **Lucy Dickinson Spencer '41** and **Bertha Dickinson Taylor '43**, in Newport News in July. They invited several alumni to Bertha's home for lunch. They were **Margaret House Woody '38**, **Edna Daniel Sheaks, "Bill" Wheeler McCallum**, and **Ethel Nelson Wetmore**. Also a friend, Ruth Godwin, was present. It was so much fun to reminisce about our college life.

Vernie Blankenship Knight and her husband "Bus" went out West to see the beautiful canyons of Arizona and Utah. Vernie is chairman of our 50th Reunion in 1986. Frances Armstrong is working on the reunion, too. Please plan to come. Remember Vernie's slogan: "50 (classmates) for the 50th!"

Dorothy McGuire Bunch invited **"Bill" Wheeler McCallum, Clara Boyd Wheeler '31**, and me to her summer home in Sandbridge for lunch in August. I had not seen the remodeling Dorothy had done, adding another living room, fireplace, bath and porch. It is beautiful. Dorothy is a great-grandmother: Her granddaughter, Maude Beth Haworth, has a son, who was born in July.

Louise Jennings Creamer had a wonderful trip in September, up through northern California to the high desert country of east Oregon, to southeast Washington state, down the mighty Columbia Gorge to Portland, Ore., then down the coast back to Millbrae, Cal., her home. They saw several snow covered mountains—Mt. Shasta, Mt. Hood, and Mt. St. Helens.

Ruby Lee Norris Norris and her sister had a vacation in Ocean City, Md., in September. Ruby Lee's grandson, Christian Norris, showed his dogs at Madison Square Garden.

This past summer I had a busy time with two weddings in two weeks. My daughter Pam was married on July 1 in Newport News, and my youngest, Jonathan, was married on July 14 in Laurel, Md. I'm so happy to have two new members added to our family.

I hope to see you at our 50th reunion in 1986. Why don't you send me in some news about you?

1937

Evelyn Riggs Ellington
711 Connecticut Ave.
Norfolk, VA 23508

Greetings to the Class of '37! I have not heard from you lately, and your classmates want to know about your travels, grandchildren, special events, or what-

ever. So please send in your news.

It seems easy to find other MWC'ers wherever I go. On the Alpine Tour I took in August, I met **Sallie Edwards Jones '42** and her husband.

While riding along on a bus tour one day, I heard someone ahead of me mention MWC. It was **Lisa Chittum Gleixner '79** from Salem, Va. At an outdoor concert down at Waterside here in Norfolk we were chatting with a nearby couple—seems they have a daughter in the class of '87.

Returning from Miami with my sisters last spring, I stopped briefly in Mt. Dora to see **Varina Britt Coleman '39**. So good to see her again.

Thanks to the *MWC Alumni Directory* we are now able to locate our old friends. Find a spare moment and let me hear from you before the next *MWC Today* is published.

1938

Mrs. Helen Pressley Voris
6086 Old Lawyers Hill Road
Elkridge, MD 21227

1939

Mary W. Bowles Hartley (Mrs. S. T.)
3464 Colonial Ave., S.W., Apt. P-108
Roanoke, VA 24018

You should have been at our 45th reunion! There were 10 of us there for the weekend and by late Saturday about 15. **Bernice Whipple Camp** came all the way from Florida. Except for beautiful white hair, she has not changed. She lives in Englewood, Fla. Whip suggested that each person at the reunion take a list of names of classmates and write to them. I have had many letters from people assigned to Whip and to **Elizabeth Clopton Brown**. Hope the rest of you are contacting your lists.

Nancy Herr Fallen, Ph.D., has retired from her position at VCU, and drove from Richmond to the reunion with one foot in a cast, bringing **Mildred Powell** with her. Mil is also retired and lives in Newport News. We will have a great 50th reunion in 1989 because these two will be in charge. Nancy agreed to be coordinator, and Mil will do the booklet.

Besides those mentioned, **Juanita Carpenter**, who retired from government service, was down from Arlington, where she has a home. She gardens extensively.

Eleanor Gose Dougherty and her husband were there from Nicklesville, where they have a farm.

Elnora Overley Johnson, Fredericksburg, was with us also. Most of us felt we had to visit The Pub, which is just what it sounds like, and is where our indoor swimming pool was, so we were late turning in Friday night. At 2 a.m. we were awakened by the fire alarm turned on by some prankster in a younger reunion class.

Since reunion, Whip has been back North twice: once touring New York, Connecticut,

Canada and the Maritime Provinces, where she got her very first speeding ticket in New Brunswick. Just recently a card tells me she is in Malone, N.Y., to help out after a sister had emergency surgery.

Arline Garnsey Hodge, promising to be there for our 50th, helped with a stock reduction sale at her husband's retail store last spring, so he can retire soon. She has retired as a substitute teacher in Cobleskill, N.Y. Three of their children live in Maine, one in Rhode Island, and the youngest in Westchester County, N.Y.

Madora Forbush Brown and her sister stopped over in Roanoke in September, and we had lunch and a nice visit. Madora, stricken two years ago by a strange virus, was paralyzed but now walks with a cane and can do just about anything she used to do except ski and play golf. She has such great spirit and has even been to Egypt since the illness.

When **Elizabeth Clopton Brown** sent the news from her list of classmates, she was about to leave for 10 days in Ireland, her third visit there in seven years. Elizabeth had heard from **Virginia Dickinson Morgan**, Front Royal, Va., who had a minireunion last fall at Harper's Ferry, W.Va., with **Lucy Harris Stone** and **Sally Stoakley Clevenger**. Virginia has also in recent years met with **Gilda Oronoz Font** and her family. Virginia has three sons and three grandchildren. Her husband is retired as chief engineer at Antex, Inc., the largest rayon plant in the world, and she has retired from teaching. Virginia golfs at two country clubs, gardens, and plays bridge. She is on the board of Blue Ridge Friends of Stratford and on the local cancer society board.

Ruth Curry Tipton, Elmer, N.J., who has a daughter and granddaughter living in Herndon, Va., managed her husband's insurance business after his death in 1971, and then later sold the business. She has since married a former engineer with DuPont, and they have retired to a country home, where her husband enjoys riding their several horses. Ruth's activities have been curtailed because of angina, from which she gets no relief because of the side effects of medication.

Elizabeth Fay Davies, retired and living in Waynesboro, says she is having a grand time.

Janie Crowder Boyd, Morristown, N.J., regrets missing the reunion. Janie has seven grandchildren: five in the states and two in England.

During the summer I had a nice note from Mrs. Dodd apologizing for being late to our party. What a fantastic lady!

Have talked recently to **Ruth Flippo Moon**, Covington, Va., who has just retired as assistant district manager of Social Security Administration.

Also talked with **Maude Rae Smith Swartz** in Covington, Va., who has retired from teaching. She and Bill enjoy

travelling. Maude Rae walks three miles everyday. They have three very successful children.

Frequently talk on phone with my roomie, **Jane Sinclair Diehl**, living near Yorktown, Va. Jane retired two years ago from teaching, still very active in Delta Kappa Gamma.

Please keep sending me the news. I am the lone reporter for our class now. Those of you who took a list of names to write to, please do that, and pass the news to me, or have those people write to me. Thanks. I missed many old friends at reunion but hope to see all of you in 1989. It will be here before you know it.

1940

Maxine Morea Salle
2301 Mt. Hermon Road
Moseley, VA 23120

Greetings to the gals of '40—with a Homecoming next May 17-19, 1985!

Did you all send in your information sheets? What you have told us about yourself and your family will go into the reunion booklet.

Somehow I find myself the class agent again and have need of news. Many of us may still be stirring early to punch a clock in the working world. If you have retired, you must really be enjoying life.

Mary Estes Irby spends winters in Florida, summers in Virginia Beach. She and her husband also went to Canada.

Tip Rawls Tomlinson is still working when needed at Richmond Memorial Hospital.

Jane Hatcher Major teaches music part-time at Collegiate and also at home. She also helps in her husband's office.

Rosella Tuck Davidson is busy between her home and Kensington Gardens, where her husband is receiving care for a stroke. She would like time to smell the flowers!

I saw the sister of **Margaret "Rita" Morrison Kottner**. Rita is now in Hawaii, where she and her husband, Loren, operate the Kottner Travel Institute. They train travel agents and staffers to sell airline and cruise tickets. This is a very successful venture involving many students from the mainland.

It is hard to believe I have become involved in so many activities since retiring from teaching. A slice goes to the Garden Club, Retired Teachers, DAR, church, children and grandchildren, and there are still a few slices of me left.

Part of the reunion of 1985 will be the Saturday evening when the MWC Foundation will honor the 50th and 25th reunion classes as well as the highest giving class and the class with the highest percentage of participation in giving. The winning classes will be decided as of May 1, 1985.

The Class of '40 is planning a surprise for the reunion program. Hope to see you all and share this surprise first-hand.

1941

Meliscent Graeff Smith
606 Clearview Ave.
Ligonier, PA 15658

Esther Cain Michelbach has sold Temple Foundry. She had been president for 12 years, since her husband's death. Esther will now be busy with charity projects.

1942

Virginia Waring Minges (Mrs. R. D.)
150 Longmeadow Road
Greenville, NC 27834

It was **Mary Patton Kline**'s idea to have a minireunion of four classmates and their husbands. So the last weekend of September '84 Mary and Joe from Arlington, Va., **Virginia Waring Minges** and Ray, Greenville, N.C., **Gracie Cureton Brown** and Gordon, Charlotte, N.C., and **Jo Reasor Lanningham** and Billy met in Savannah, Ga., and truly had a marvelous time. Isodora, the hurricane, tried her best to prevent it, but we drove through hours of rain to make it, and we did. The sun came out the next two days. The four girls had not been together since our 25th class reunion. We plan to make it an annual affair.

Then in October, Virginia and Ray had a great surprise with a visit from her suite-mate at MWC, **Virginia Bennett Skillman**, her husband, Russ, and daughter Candy from Indianapolis, Ind. They were on a two-week trip to see their son David and family and only granddaughter, visit us, and go down the southern coast to Florida for vacation. While in Florida they visited Ginger's—that is what we called her at MWC—roommate **Madelyn Warren Tomlinson** and her husband, Tomy, in Belleair.

Please send me some news of you and yours. Also, if you have any news of our classmates. It is always great to read of each other's activities now that most of our husbands are retired and we are grandmothers.

1943

Dorabelle Forrest Cox
135 Forrest Road
Poquoson, VA 23662

Mrs. Hilda Holloway Law
6 Ensigne Spence
Williamsburg, VA 23185

Mrs. Frances Wills Stevens
432 Oakland Drive
Raleigh, NC 27609

From Dorabelle: A number of our classmates and husbands have taken interesting trips this past summer and fall. **Hilda Holloway Law** and Dana went to Europe for six weeks. **Mamie Stahle Allen** and Lee, to Dallas, Texas; San Francisco; and Lake Tahoe, Nev. **Virginia Johnson Moeller** and Paul motored to and from California.

We who knew **Frances Lawson Spencer** were sad to hear of her passing

in July.

Please send me your news and scrapbook items!

1944

Marilynn Price Heady
165 Bower Road
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

Joyce Davis Pillow
3001 Bahia Court
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

This reunion was great! We had 64 attending, some for the first time. It was a lovely weekend. Sorry you missed the fun. **Nettie Evans Lawrey** and **Jean Wade Otte** did a great job in preparing the reunion booklet; **Jane Brownley Thomas** spent many hours serving as the reunion coordinator and class news editor; and **Elizabeth Cox Leao** did a fine job as Class of '44 fund agent.

We had the greatest number attending the reunion and also donated the greatest amount to the Alumni Fund. As a special treat for these endeavors, we were given a reception at Trench Hill, the alumni house. Food and beverages were plentiful and enjoyed by all. Some of the husbands attended and joined in all the activities with us. A good time was had by all. Be sure to visit Trench Hill if you're in Fredericksburg; the staff will make you most welcome.

Jane Brownley Thomas called to say that **Nancy Duval Andrews** was in an accident and is still recuperating from a badly injured arm. A get-well card was sent to Nancy from the class. **Sophie Obuhanych Hess** became a grandmother for the first time on June 23. Her son and his wife have a daughter, Amanda Jane, and live in Pennsylvania. Sophie has been a dietician in a hospital near her home in Rockford, Mich., and planned to retire in September '84. Sophie and Tom took a trip to Hawaii in March '84.

Nettie Evans Lawrey is still working at the library and hasn't changed a bit. She and Tom enjoy their grandchildren, gardening and church. One son teaches at George Mason University; the other is involved with theatre work and is doing well. Bett is kept busy with her two daughters, the apples of Nettie's eye.

Joyce Davis came all the way from California for the reunion. She spent some time in Berryville, Va., her hometown, and came down to the reunion with **Ruth McDaniel Potts**. Joyce retired from teaching in 1981 and went through some health problems but is fine now. She looks great.

Had a note from **Betty Taylor Cormack** with **Virginia "Snookie" Wells Abbott**'s new address. She and Earl are now living on the Isle of Wight and are involved with nursing homes. Those attending the reunion came from the following states: California 1; Connecticut 2; Delaware 2; Florida 1; Maine 1;

Maryland 11; Massachusetts 2; Michigan 1; New Jersey 4; New York 1; North Carolina 1; Ohio 1; Oklahoma 1; Pennsylvania 4; Texas 3; and Virginia 27. Let's make it better in 1989!

There are 55 from the class of '44 whose address is missing. If you know any of them or have any contacts to find them, please forward information to either Joyce or Marilynn: **June M. Absure**, **Ann Hayes Andrews**, **Ellen O'Brien Atwood**, **Marjorie Martell Balias**, **Ruth Boylan**, **Janice Briggs**, **Jean Bley Brogan**, **Elizabeth C. Brown**, **Virginia Rubush Cabell**, **Cena Loback Carswell**, **Miriam Clark**, **Marjorie M. Cryder**, **Claire Ann Cray DeZavala**, **Mary McCrane Doherty**, **Phyllis Wilday Doyle**, **Patricia Morris Dubois**, **Janet E. Fitzsimmons**, **Jane T. Winston Ford**, **Beatrice Brown Franklin**, **Betty L. Gibson**, **Nell Randolph Harrison Gramer**, **Claire Ann Gray**, **Anne Green**, **Evangeline Guarch**, **Helen Petrakas Harris**, **Marion McNulty Heffernan**, **Enid Elaine Hoatley**, **Margaret Hudson**, **Violet Marie Hunter**, **Sallie A. Jacob**, **Marjorie Mettler Jamieson**, **Louise Beall Johnson**, **Margaret E. Johnson**, **Lilias R. Scott Keel**, **Mary Margaret Tegg Kurman**, **Enid Heally Lanenson**, **Florence M. Rose Rose Leidy**, **Fay Antoinette Leitch**, **Jane Ottinger Leonard**, **Margaret E. Major**, **Beverly Munn**, **Elizabeth Davis Ransom**, **Doris Roberts Rau**, **Marcy Wells Reynold**, **Grace Hannon Rowe**, **Christine Lavonne Coward Schuman**, **Shirley Johnston Shelley**, **Charline Cochran Sinclair**, **Adrienne Herbert Smith**, **Virginia Adair Smith**, **June Scott Thomas**, **Julia Scott Thompson**, **June Copeland Waite**, **Susie Harrison Walder**, and **Frances Virginia Woodward**.

We're willing to get the news written up and to the alumni house on time for publication, but we have to have the news to write. We can't do this without input from *you*. So please take the time to write down a few lines about you and yours and get it to us. The deadline dates for news to be to the alumni house are February 10, October 15, and June 15. Please try to get the news to us a month before the deadline to give us time to get it typed and in on time. Don't forget those missing addresses.

We were saddened to get the news of the passing of **Gloria "Gibby" Burnside Denenburg** of a heart attack on July 25, 1984, in Dallas, Texas. Gibby was at the reunion, looked well, and enjoyed the weekend. We will surely miss her. A card was sent to her daughters.

Eleanor Omohundro passed away in June of 1983. We were saddened to hear about this.

Laurie, the daughter of **Virginia Sherlock Kelley**, died of injuries received in an auto accident in the winter of 1983.

Marilynn Price Heady lost her mother on September 30, 1984.

1945

Virginia Gunn Blanton
369 Lexington Road
Richmond, VA 23226

Grace Barley Lindner and Carl journeyed to Hawaii to study in July. They both attended classes at the university and lived the good life of sightseeing and sunning, too. Grace teaches in the Middle School at Collegiate in Richmond.

Fran Watts Barker and Jack came over from Parksley on the Eastern Shore in August. Fran will retire from teaching English next June, and Jack has just retired from their clothing store but is busier than ever.

Christine Brauer Krausse is a grandmother again courtesy of daughter Carolyn in Huntsville, Ala.

I saw **Nancy Aitcheson Taylor** in August when I was in Northern Virginia visiting my son's family. We were touring Mt. Vernon, so I dropped by to visit Nancy, who is a close neighbor of the Washingtons.

Skip Potts Taylor and Wally are doing quite a bit of travelling now that Wally has retired from banking—and **Helen Hawkins Olson** and Oley are, too.

Gloria Post Goodsell and Roger are still in Fort Smith, Ark., looking forward to retirement to Tyler, Texas, where their two sons and granddaughter live.

Mary Doswell Simpson and Jack stay busy in Danville, Va., Jack as an optometrist and Mary in volunteer activities.

Elinor McClellan Cox and Gene are in Lafayette, Ind., where Elinor enjoys being a jeweler and doting grandmother. There are a good many doting grandmothers in our class!

I have a new grandson born in December 1983—Randolph's son. And my son Bill has three daughters, so I feel very blessed. Isn't it fun to spoil your grandchildren?

Hope all of you are planning to attend the Homecoming weekend May 17-19, 1985! Think of the fun we'll have renewing old friendships, sharing our news of the 40 years since our graduation, and reliving those wonderful campus years in a dorm together. Our class meeting and class party as well as the other activities will be great. Sure we have all grayed a bit, gained weight, but we'll all look younger than the other old-timers, you know! Oh yes, and there will be special recognition for the class with the most returning members and for the class that contributes most to the Annual Fund. Please share any ideas you might have to make our reunion a big success!

1946

Mrs. Jene Haley Allen
10 Kemper Ave.
Newport News, VA 23601

Mrs. Mildred Dixon Sullivan
9001 Weems Lane
Manassas, VA 22110

1947

Mrs. Barbara Curtice Noll
2122 Grayson Place
Falls Church, VA 22043

1948

Mrs. Ann Gregg Woods
3907 Exeter Road
Richmond, VA 23221

1949

June Davis McCormick
18 Lynnbrook Road
St. Louis, MO 63131

1950

Dorothy Held Gawley
177 McCosh Road
Upper Montclair, NJ 07043

Mim Sollows Wieland became a grandmother for the second time in early July when her daughter, Barbara, had a baby boy, James Michael. He joins a sister, Becky, who is three. Then in September Mim and Earl took a wonderful trip to England and Scotland.

Others who wore their travelling shoes this summer were **Shirley Cole Schleter** and John who visited Australia, New Zealand and Tahiti.

Nat Wilton, who lives in Seattle, took a 2½-week vacation touring California in a camper with a friend.

In January 1984 **Delia "D.G." Pate Wilson** lost her husband, Bruce. Shortly after her husband's death her first grandchild, Daryl Bruce Wilson, was born. D.G. has a son and daughter who graduated from Cal Poly and another son who entered law school at Loyola University in August. She retired from full-time teaching at Mt. San Antonio College last June.

By now I'm sure most of you have filled out your reunion questionnaires, even if you can't make the big weekend in Fredericksburg. Hope you will all try to make it; I'm looking forward to seeing you!

1951

Mrs. Cynthia Medley England
1265 Diana Ave.
Naples, FL 33940

Patricia Wise Ritter has joined a public relations/graphic communications firm in Columbus, Ohio, as an account executive. She received her master's degree from Ohio State University and is also active in local civic affairs. Pat has served on the Columbus Cable Commission for six years and is a docent at the Columbus Zoo.

1952

Mrs. Claire Sindlinger deGroot
3248 N. Ohio St.
Arlington, VA 22207

1953

Mrs. Carol Smith Boyes
2214 McAuliffe Drive
Rockville, MD 20851

1954

Linda LeHardy Sweet (Mrs. H. J.)
615 Fauquier St.
Fredericksburg, VA 22401

To all who turned up for our 30th reunion in May, I hope you had as much fun as I did! What a marvelous 24 hours! As **Jean Armstrong** said on departure... we talked for 21 of those hours! Isn't it amazing how the years fall away, and after a separation of 30 years, the conversation just picks right up?! There's nothing like good friends and happy memories.

MWC was at its loveliest in May, and our being housed in dormitories was a nice, nostalgic treat. **Anne Levey** and **Jean Armstrong** roomed together, and **Helen Peck Newsome** and I were their suite-mates. It was a rollicking time for the four of us.

Friday evening started off the festivities with a lovely cocktail buffet in the Rose Garden at Brompton. President and Mrs. Anderson graciously received us all, and it was a treat finding Miss Mary Ellen Stephenson in the crowd. On Saturday after breakfast in Seacobeck and an Alumni Association meeting, our class really got together at the luncheon held on the lawn at Trench Hill.

We continued comparing the past 30 years at our class meeting that was held in a reception room in Ball. Basically we just sat around, and each one told a little of her life, family, work and activities. It was marvelous! **Bootsie Simpson Johnson** had us laughing until the tears ran down our faces as she regaled us with stories about her career as a sales representative for Aloe Vera. And to top it off, **Pat Johnson Beck** had us screaming in the aisles as she told of her hobby of belly dancing. What fun! It truly was a delightful reunion, but we missed those of you who couldn't make it.

Let's begin "thinking 35th," and maybe we'll have twice as many in 1989. I promise you it is *fun* to return, and we all looked exactly as we did 30 years ago. No, maybe better! (Right?)

Joan Kaitner Lyon, who with husband Peter and youngest son, Tim, lives in Roswell, Ga., (290 Watercress Drive, 30076) writes that she and Tim went to Europe this summer. On their return home, all the Lyons joined Joanie's mother and sister for a cruise to the Bahamas. Sounds like the perfect summer!

The Alumni Association now has a schedule for *MWC Today*. Deadlines for

Class Notes are:

October 15	winter issue
February 10	summer issue
June 15	fall issue

It's wonderful when we really keep in touch with each other, so please write.

1955

Miss Irene Hughes
P.O. Box 235
Arlington, VA 22922

1956

Mrs. Diane Neumyer Munter
615 Aster Blvd.
Rockville, MD 20850

Mrs. Corenne Slater Gray
5603 Tulane St.
San Diego, CA 92122

Mrs. Carol Pope Howerton
2206 Yardley Court
Alexandria, VA 22308

Mrs. Marie Rosanelli Metzger
4601 Monument Ave.
Richmond, VA 23226

1957

Ernestine MacLaughlin Lawrence
243 Main St.
Winchester, MA 01890

Mrs. Joanne Insley Pearre
5520 Old National Pike
Frederick, MD 21701

1958

Mrs. Frances Karins Updike
160 Edgewood Drive
York, PA 17403

1959

Edna Gooch Trudeau
Rt. 1, Box 139 F
New Kent, VA 23124

Hello Everyone!

Can't find enough superlatives to describe our 25th! The meeting was perfect; the food was delicious; all of you looked fantastic; and there were 57 of us! Plus husbands and children! My head was swollen for quite a few weeks as a result of y'all keeping me on as class agent. Thank you again for the lovely pewter vase. And thanks to Dodie, Marianne and Marcia for agreeing to take on the other duties. My only regret each time we meet is my inability to speak with each one of you for as long as I would like. The weekend passes so quickly; in fact, where did those 25 years go in such a hurry? It was also wonderful to have Dr. Black with us and to get a visit from Dr. Van Sant. The reunions do seem to get better every time, and I think the alumni staff is improving the activities and amenities each time. Hope you have had an opportunity to glance through the booklet and send any addresses of lost girls you may know about. **Emily Babb Carpenter** is definitely not lost!

Before attending the reunion **Carmen Culpepper Chappell** and John toured France, concentrating on the wine country. Wheee! They also picked up a new car in Germany and had it shipped home. They were to be in Puerto Rico for Christmas. Carmen is busy with her thesis and studying for her comprehensive in the meantime. **Irene Piscopo Rodgers** had planned to be with us, but unfortunately her parents were hospitalized the week of the reunion. They are coming along slowly but surely in their recuperation. Irene served on the Regional Scholarship Committee again this year, one of her favorite things. She and Don have traveled for their jobs, as usual. In March she was in San Francisco and Los Angeles. Don was in Florida in April, while Irene traveled to Boston and Rhode Island. In May she was in Maryland.

Phyllis Hartleb Rowley had a busy schedule before the reunion, too. She stayed in San Francisco for 3 weeks while Phil played golf in a collegiate tournament. She also visited Carmel and Monterey. After leaving Fredericksburg, she and Jim were to tour some campuses in search of prospective colleges for Jay, such as Georgetown.

Mary Carolyn Jamison Gwinn is still teaching. Cathy turned 13 and was given a big skating-birthday party from which Mary Carolyn had doubts she would recuperate. But she looked fine to me at the reunion! Burt is now employed as accounts receivable manager at their regional hospital. **Marjorie Crisman Kostel** works there, too. This year the Gwinns have taken lots of short trips to Williamsburg, Lynchburg and Roanoke to visit family and friends.

Speaking of trips, **Ann Brooks Papadatos** and her daughter, Anastasia, took their annual summer trip to Greece, and this time also toured Ireland, which they fell in love with. They also had a nice visit from Gregory.

Celeste Shipman Kaufman and her daughter, Julie, were on the way to Europe for a 15-day tour in June. Future plans for the Kaufmans include Julie's college graduation, Jeff's marriage and Tammie's getting her driver's license!

Another mother-daughter duo was **Jane Howard Buchanon** and Susan. Susan was studying at the Sorbonne this past year, and Jane visited her in March. A lovely experience for both. In the fall Elizabeth planned to attend Hartwick College, a small liberal arts college in the Catskills. Elizabeth received two awards at high school graduation. One for best potter and the other for sustained leadership in women's sports. Jane sent the news that **Helen Barden Horan's** husband, Walter, passed away.

Postcard from **Priscilla Brown Wardlaw**—she missed the reunion because she was in Denmark at the time and on the way to Norway. For you New Yorkers, **Barbara Corbeel Elsing** is trying hard to get a chapter started in her

area. Please contact her if you are interested, and can lend a helping hand.

Again, it was just so wonderful to see all of you. Please continue to let me hear from you. It makes my day, week and month when I receive a card or letter, and a call makes my year. It's never too late, and we all do want to know how everyone is: your husbands, children and now our grandchildren.

1960

Bonnie Davis Hall (Mrs. Ross D.)
249 High St.
Hingman, MA 02043

Greetings from New England! Having only recently accepted this post, I have not had enough time to let you know that I am now your class agent. However, I do expect to be hearing from you from now on, so please write!

I was in the throes of a political campaign as my boss, the state senator from Cape Cod and the Islands, is up for re-election. Because I am actively involved in the Republican Party in Massachusetts, I had an opportunity to go to the national convention in Dallas as a convention committee member; but I gave it up to go to Europe for 3½ weeks with my husband. While in Europe, I had a delightful visit with my MWC roommate, **Carlota Muse Rokita**, in Vienna, Austria. Carlota's husband, Martin, is a lawyer for the Austrian government. Her daughter, Beatriz, is studying social work at the University of Vienna, and this year she has an internship with the Catholic Diocese of Vienna. Carlota's son, Johannes, 14, is in the ninth grade, and he is still in seventh heaven from a recent visit to Disney World.

My husband, Ross, travels to Europe twice a year, so we keep well in touch with the Rokitas. Ross is a professor of German at Northeastern University in Boston—the largest private university in America—and is the European coordinator for the university's cooperative education program. While we were in Europe, our sons had a super summer visiting grandmothers, going to Boy Scout camp, and working on political campaigns (the apple does not fall far from the tree!). Frederick is in the ninth grade at Thayer Academy, and Alexander is in the fifth grade at the elementary school down the street.

Last weekend we Halls traveled to Farmington, Maine, to spend a day with **Deborah Mallett Cressall**. Debbie is fine and looks great. She teaches fourth grade; and with her enthusiasm and personality, she is, undoubtedly, Farmington's No. 1 teacher.

Being class agent I received a printout of the class and discovered that **Cynthia "Cyd" Day Getchell** is living north of Boston in Newburyport, Mass. I have not seen or spoken to Cyd in 24 years, and we had a reunion via the telephone. Cyd and her husband, Byron, have two children, Stephanie, a senior in high school, and Andrew, a 10th grader. In the very near

future, I hope to see Cyd in person.

Debbie, Cyd and I are already planning to go to our 25th reunion, and I hope you are, too. Write to your fellow classmates, and start thinking about the reunion now!

From Patricia Whittaker Hanscom:

Dela-Where? We know! There we were! Lovely downtown Dewey Beach found: **Sue May Smyth, Rita Weinberg Lawhorne, Elinor "Lu" Omasta Sanborne Vickery, Betty Burrus Molinary, Betsy Bailey Gale, Pat "Mitch" Mitchell Duncan**, and me.

With a surprise visit from Lu, who drove in from Lake Havasu City, Ariz., and an anticipated visit from Betty of Memphis, Tenn.; Lu, Sue and I decided to reconvene the eight of us (including Marilyn "Mel" Pettit Freidag) for a reunion. Unfortunately Mel was unable to join us. She was in the process of moving from Connecticut to Florida.

Sue is in Annandale, Va., and has three children. She is a nurse at Arlington Hospital. Rita has two children and is an assistant principal in Farmville, Va. Lu has two sons and is presently between nursing positions. Betty has three children and is an instructor of nursing. Betsy has two sons and is a computer specialist and math coordinator in the Fairfax County, Va., school system. Mitch has two sons and is the librarian at the New Castle High School, New Castle, Va. I have two sons and am in the real estate management business in D.C.

We had five days and four nights together, and what fun! Most of us had not seen each other since our 10th reunion.

We noted with interest one thing in common: No noses were without glasses when we read!

1961

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Clara Sue Durden Ashley
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1984 started with a bang and never quit. Perhaps 1985 will be the same. **Rose Condon Hamm**, Charleston, S.C., my sophomore roomie, called and said she'd be in Louisville for a national math meeting the fourth week of January. Rose left at the end of our sophomore year to marry Petie, and we hadn't seen each other since (25 years!). We pulled off quite a reunion at the Galt House on January 25 by opening and closing their luxurious top-floor Flag Ship Restaurant. We had no problem recognizing one another (there is truth to the statement, "You haven't changed a bit!"), catching up on all the news, and reminiscing about our days on campus. Rose received her Ph.D. in math from Auburn last year and is a tenured assistant professor at College of Charleston. With her kids—Pete, Ryan, Lynn and Kathleen—grown, Rose is busy

pursuing her career. She planned to take a sabbatical to do research at the University of Waterloo in Ontario.

February brought the Winter Olympics and those fantastic English pair skaters, Torvill and Dean. I hadn't heard "Bolero" so much since freshman year! Surviving UK's disasterous loss to Georgetown in the April NCAA basketball finals, we rejoiced when Lexington's Claiborne Farm had their first Kentucky Derby winner, Swale, only later to be saddened at his untimely death after the Belmont. Gardening started in late May along with a new interest: bird watching! In addition to my new found knowledge about chickadees, wrens and doves, I now know how to totally avoid household chores, which I'm not enamored of anyway!

The first days of June found me in North Carolina doing family research. Spent three days in Raleigh with my sister and her family, while digging into original deeds, wills, etc., at the North Carolina Archives. From there we motored into eastern North Carolina for a trip back into time. Photographed and rummaged through old family cemeteries, homes and a country store, all of which were built by one of my grandfathers and great-grandfathers. For other adventurous souls, do it! You'll love it. The pictures turned out so well that I'm having them blown up and framed for gifts to family members, the ones that always seem to have everything!

In July I caught up with **Maugie Lanham Roberts**. She, husband Biff, and family are long-time residents of Anchorage, Ky. (outside Louisville). Daughter Ruth, 21, is at Warren Wilson College in Swannanoa, N.C., studying to be a vet, and son Fletch, 18, was to enter W&L last fall. Maugie is doing great. She's working at Chapps East, Ltd., a men's shop in Anchorage, and she and Biff planned to head for the Eastern Shore in September, after getting Fletch settled in at W&L.

And, about that same time, I planned to return from what's becoming an annual jaunt to Cape Cod... the great escape from midwestern heat and humidity.

Jane Riles Wamsley writes that she has received her Ph.D. in romance languages from the University of Oregon. She moved to Poitiers, France, in July after being named resident director for the overseas program of Oregon Higher Education.

From **Clara Sue Durden Ashley**:
Dear Classmates,

That wonderful instrument, the telephone, has made possible my contacting several of you. The first voice from the past was that of **Rosemary Borke**. In 1979 she received her Ph.D. in anatomy from George Washington University. For the last five years she has been teaching anatomy at the military medical school. She makes her home in Burke, Va.

Elizabeth Marchant George, who lives in McLean, Va., went to the British Isles in October. Her daughter, Paige, is a senior at U.Va. and wants to go to law

school. Son Dan is a freshman at Ferrum, and Matt is a sophomore at Langley High School.

Thanks to **Betty George** I have found **Ellen Thomas Hulcher Thompson**. She lives in Richmond and is married to an attorney. One daughter attends U.Va., and one is in high school. Two are also in preschool.

Nancy Edmunds Morris, Vaughan Hargroves Scott, Tommy and Betty had a reunion over lunch a few months ago.

Patricia Whitehead, who was widowed, has remarried. Her husband's name is Bradford Towle. Concord, Mass., is still home.

As product manager with the Reston Publishing Co., **Susan Wilson** handles marketing of electronics, real estate, and health science books. Last fall she went to Hawaii. Her son Ted loves MWC, where he is a junior. John has finished high school and is working, and Tina is in high school. They have moved to a townhouse in Reston, Va.

News of **Victoria Biggers Hinshaw** comes from Sue. Vickie and a friend wrote and published a paperback romance about the beer barons of Milwaukee. Her pen name was Summit. Sue said she enjoyed the book very much but couldn't remember the exact title.

Mail with French stamps is now coming from **Jane Riles Wamsley**. She is resident director of 40 students in Poitiers, France. Husband Bill is the new director of sales and marketing of Childer's Corporation in Wilsonville, Ore. Daughter Annelise is a freshman at Princeton, and daughter Marguerite is attending St. Margaret's School in Tappahannock. Their new home is in Beaverton, Ore. The post office will have to add extra help just to handle the Wamsleys' correspondence.

As always, **Constance Booth Logothetis** sends lots of news. Last summer her family bought a sailboat, which they keep near Chestertown, Md. Her daughter Elaine spent all summer working at the stables of a YWCA camp in Maryland. Her son Michael enjoyed his summer hiking in Maine. This year Connie is not teaching but is taking some classes to update her certificate. Her sister, **Barbara "Linkey" Booth Wilhelm** '63, has a daughter, Tracy, who began her freshman year at Gettysburg College this fall.

From the Atlanta area I received news from **Jean Ryan Farrell**. Over the summer her two oldest sons got to know **Sara Prosterman Brown** quite well since they were all working for Yours Truly, Inc. Sara is a retail coordinator there. Sara's husband, Dwight, has started his own company, a consulting firm. Jean's son Frank has finished college and is looking for a job in Atlanta. Bobby is a junior at the University of Georgia, and Davis is a high school freshman. Because Jean is working full-

time as a trainer/technical writer for a software company she has little time left for her tennis. Jean also sent word that **Mattoinette McCeney Campbell** now lives in Nashville and has a daughter, Ashley, at the University of Georgia.

Last summer my family spent a lot of time working and playing at the golf course. Chris, 18, worked full-time for the groundskeeper. Now he is a freshman at the University of Richmond. Park, 17, is a senior at Langley High, where he plays on the golf team. Son Dennis is a sophomore and plays piano in the jazz lab. He is also organist for our church and plays keyboard in a rock band. Andrew, 10, has become a celebrity since he was on TV at the Washington-Philadelphia football game, and his picture was in the paper.

When you send your cards add Lynn McCarthy or me to your list and include your news for *MWC Today*. The next deadline is February. Bye now!

1962

The class of '62 is the only class that graduated less than 50 years ago that does not have a class agent. All volunteers will be gladly received!

1963

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Southern Pines, NC 28387

Mrs. Barbara Booth Wilhelm
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Mrs. Patsy Branstetter Revere
103 Durrington Court
Richmond, VA 23216

1964

Frances Page Loftis
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South Boston, VA 24592

Our 20th class reunion was fantastic! We stayed in the tunnel on the second floor of Mason, which was especially nostalgic for senior-year suite-mate, **Virginia McClenahan Burkowski**, as we were on her freshman-year hall. Ginny lives in Fords, N.J., with husband Stephen and son Mark, 10.

Former roommate **Pat Lane Natalicchi** could not make it to the reunion as she was busy moving from New York to Baltimore in order to finish work on her Ph.D. at Johns Hopkins. She says that she will definitely be at the 25th!

Former suite-mate **Jessie Weisiger Dyess**, who lives in Jacksonville, Fla., with her family, sent word that she, too, will attend the 25th.

As we caught up on the news of 20 years, we realized that our Mary Washington friendships were strong bonds that spanned the years and helped to shape who we became.

Lynne Vanden-Bulche Libuha and husband John live in Old Lyne, Conn. John

is a research physicist for the Navy, and their daughter, Lisa, is 12.

Margaret Cselpo Leal Schriber has taught both history and math. She lives in District Heights, Md., with her family.

Mary Blatcher is a payroll accountant for A. F. Jorss Iron Works and lives in Arlington, Va.

Judith Hunt Watkins, husband Willard, sons Tim and Trevor, live in Gainesville, Fla. A former teacher with an M.A. from Clarion State, Judy is garden therapy chairperson at Convalescent Boosters.

Beth Lacy Wiseman and family live in Fredericksburg.

Marilyn Washburn is an ordained Congregational minister in Concord, N.H.

The reunion brought Spanish majors out in force. **Sandra Bussuot Wainwright** lives in Richmond, where she works at McGuire Clinic. Her husband Bill is an optician. Son Anthony is 14 and participates in band while daughter Lorraine graduates from high school this year.

Alma Geibelt '65 visited with her Spanish major friends. Alma is an attorney in Atlanta.

Frances Grafton, who went to graduate school with a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship in psychology, is a psychologist at Walter Reed Hospital.

As for me, after taking a break from teaching to earn my M. A. from Presbyterian School of Christian Education, I have returned to teaching Spanish at Lunenburg Central High School in Victoria, Va. Incidentally, it's delightful to see fellow South Boston school friend William Anderson as president of Mary Washington.

Write me all your news so I can put it in the next issue!

1965

Mrs. Patricia Boyette Robinson
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1966

Mrs. Linda Glynn Hutchinson
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Allison Park, PA 15101

Mrs. Jana Privette Usry
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1967

Eleanor Grainger Workman
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Richmond, VA 23228

Ms. Lynn Barnett Fife
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The way you can tell our last class reunion was sparsely attended is that a non-verbal math major was allowed to take a 2½-year stint as class agent! It's hard for me to realize that we are approaching our 40th birthdays, and we've had so little significant news to share with each other

over the years. Please send news of yourself and the people with whom you correspond.

My last minute news gathering calls have been quite unsuccessful, so I'll relate the newsworthy items from my immediate correspondents.

Charlotte Gregg Morgan and I teach together at New Community School in Richmond. Charlotte and John are proud parents of Miranda Victoria, born in April 1984. They have recently given in to the commute from Ashland and moved back to the city. Can anyone out there relate to Charlotte's managing teen-agers, a baby, and a full-time paying job as well?

I saw **Susie Fedders White** in Lexington, Va., on my last trip home. She earned a master's degree at U.Va. in August '84 and began the frustrating task of finding a job related to her field in a small town. Her husband, Donnie, is a physical education instructor at VMI.

Eleanor Frith Peters and her family are in Germany, living in West Berlin now. They continue to have experiences too wonderful to mention!

On a trip through South Carolina this summer, I saw **Betty Barker Price** in a Hardee's but was too dumfounded to speak.

I see **Lou Cascio Cralle** at various professional conferences. She and her husband both teach math at James Monroe High School in Fredericksburg.

I hope those of you whom I didn't know well will write and satisfy our curiosities about one another. Let me hear from you!

1968

Margaret Livingston Asensio
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Aurora, CO 80013

1969

Pam Powell McWhirt (Mrs. Walter P.)
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Fredericksburg, VA 22401

We had many familiar faces at our 15th reunion!

Many thanks to **Ann Ruff Wolfrey** for providing the following news: In January 1984 **Jean Le Masurier**, who is now living back in Arlington, Va., had a bridal shower for **Nancy Gleason**. Attending this minireunion were: **Karen Jones Rogers**, **Kitty Culhane Rogers**, **Jane Patch Williams**, **Frances Smith Armstrong** and **Ann Ruff Wolfrey**. **Nancy Gleason** married Brice Castles in February 1984, and they are living in Williamsburg. Both Brice and Nancy commute: He works in Norfolk, and she is working in Richmond for Mobile Chemical.

Karen Jones Rogers lives in Arlington, Va., with her husband and two children. She is studying for her real estate license. Her sister-in-law, **Kitty Culhane Rogers**, lives in Springfield, Va. Kitty and John have two children. Kitty recently received her real estate license.

Living nearby in Alexandria, Va., is

Frances Smith Armstrong. Frances is teaching there.

Susie Turner Johnson is living in Madison, Conn. **Cathy Allen Hughes** and her husband, Michael, have moved around quite a bit, thanks to the Army. They are currently living in Hopewell, Va. Michael is in a degree program at Ft. Lee. Cathy and Michael are building a home in Loudoun County. Michael will next be stationed at Ft. Belvoir until he retires.

Nancy Andrews Shelhorse is leading a very active and interesting life. For the past three years she has been winning national competitions in women's white-water canoeing. She spends her winters teaching skiing in Winter Place, W.Va., near Princeton, W.Va. Her springs, summers and falls are spent teaching canoeing in North Carolina, New York and Canada.

Ann invites all of you to be sure to stop by her shop in Fredericksburg. It's called The Pavilion and is located on Princess Anne Street. Ann's husband, Kenny, is back to his first love: boarding horses. Ann's daughter, Susan, is now 16, and son, Robbie, is 12.

Fran Jessee is a librarian in Spotsylvania County, right outside of Fredericksburg. She works at Battlefield Intermediate School. This past summer she visited France with the Fredericksburg Singers. Fran also plays violin with the College-Community Orchestra, and in her spare time she teaches a dog obedience class for the Fredericksburg Parks and Recreation Department.

Fran's roommate, **Betty Ferguson Finney**, is living in Occoquan, Va., and is busy with her four children.

A quick phone call to **Sue Taylor Bulk** in LaCrosse, Wis., brought back lots of memories! Sue's husband, Jac, teaches at the University of Wisconsin at LaCrosse. Sue keeps busy with Jessica, who is 7, and Maggie, who is 2. Sue does a lot of volunteer work and is active with the Faculty Wives Club. Sue ran into **Stephanie Boone Joanis** in a department store in LaCrosse. Stephanie is married to David, an attorney. For awhile Stephanie hosted a talk show on a local radio station. Sue passed on the information that **Cheri Modesitt** was married in January 1982 to Gray Bailey. They are now living in Australia. Prior to that Cheri was living in Arizona and teaching gifted and talented children, along with trying her hand at potting.

Miriam Drayer Antich lives near Dallas. She has been editing a computer newsletter.

Linda Thomas Boxley received her M.Ed. in math and now stays at home with Mary Catherine, 6, Karen, 5, and Sarah, 5.

Eloise Bell Sloane lives in Norfolk, Va., where her husband, Tom, teaches high school. She is busy taking care of her three sons: Cecil, 3, Eric, 2, and Tom, 1.

Gail Emond Willis is living in Colo-

rado. Her husband, Johnny, is in the service.

Charlotte Padgett Duis is teaching in Bedford, Va. Her children are Mackie and Sarah.

Pat Thomas Marcus and her family live in Spotsylvania County. Her husband, Jerry, is assistant principal at Courtland High School. Pat is substituting along with taking care of Andrea, Jason and Alison. Jerry is participating in triathlons and Jerry and Jason previously ran in marathons.

Writing this section finally got me on the ball to get in touch with **Carol Johnson Williams**, my roommate. Carol, husband Floyd, and children Lisa, 10, and Carter, 7, live in Alexandria. In July they moved into a new Victorian farmhouse. Carol does volunteer work for Alexandria Hospital and the Democratic Party, and is active in the Junior League of Washington.

I am still teaching in Spotsylvania County, where I work with gifted and talented elementary children. My husband, Walter, is a middle school principal in Spotsylvania. My son, Matthew, is a very active nine-year-old who is in the fourth grade. We recently moved into a new home. Our recreation time is spent on the river, boating in our home-away-from-home, the *Easy Living*. I'm looking forward to hearing from more of you for next time. My deadline is February, so let me hear from you!

Debra Hollibaugh Myers, an active member of the Fredericksburg Chapter, was recently honored as Virginia Social Studies Teacher of the Year. Debra teaches at Walker-Grant Intermediate School in Fredericksburg.

1970

Mrs. Elaine Wilson Maloney
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1971

Mrs. Doris Lee Hancock
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Glen Allen, VA 23060

LCDR Karen Laino Lewis
10406 Storch Drive
Seabrook, MD 20706

1972

Joan Mielke Clement (Mrs. Stephen)
5401 Cary Street Road
Richmond, VA 23226

Miss Martha M. Master
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Willingboro, NJ 08046

Two birth announcements: Philip and **Lois Fox Kerr**, a daughter, Vivian Marie, on August 8, 1984; and Stephen and **Joan Mielke Clement**, a son, Stephen Henry, on June 8, 1984.

I hear from classmates infrequently. Please take a few minutes this winter to

answer a questionnaire, which I will be sending through the alumni office. I look forward to sharing the news with you in my next column.

1973

Carter Moffett Welling (Mrs. D. C.)
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Greetings to all '73 classmates... I am happy to be once again reporting our class news. Please find time to drop me a line with your family and career news, so you can be included in the next column.

Our most sincere wishes for much happiness go to **Mary Lee Stevens** and her husband, Kenneth, upon the birth of their son Russell Joseph in August of 1983. Stevie and her family were living in Gainesville, Fla., where Kenneth was on the faculty of the University of Florida's statistics department.

Our congratulations are also extended to **Nancy Baker Dix** and Thomas whose second son, Edward (Ned), was born in November of '83. Thomas was completing his law degree at Washington and Lee University.

Finally, I am writing from a new address after a Navy move back to Connecticut from our temporary home in Maine. My husband, Craig, is executive officer of the nuclear submarine *USS Archerfish*, and I am active in Navy support groups such as the Red Cross and Navy Relief. We, too, have a new addition to our family, David Bentley, who was born in July '84.

Marcy Steffens got a job in psychology. She is working on the Psychiatric Unit at Hunterdon Medical Center in New Jersey.

Debra Puryear Aurora has received her Ph.D. in psychology.

Marjorie Walsh Dean is teaching in Keswick, Va., and was married in August to John Shepherd.

Boulder, Colo., welcomes the addition of **Leslie Larson Teague** who is in the art supply business. Her husband is an architect.

Looking forward to hearing from all of you. Let's aim for a super column in the next *MWC Today*!

1974

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Deborah Fricke Carlisle
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I am delighted to serve as a class agent! My news is limited this time; however, I hope to hear from many of you before the next report is due in February.

Carey Hause has been most helpful in supplying news to me. Carey is busy acting as a volunteer for WHRO-TV in Norfolk, Va., during her spare time. She also reports that Sue Tyler has moved to Texas.

Pat Hatfield Sinclair '75 was expecting a baby in November, and Alice

Harding Thomas writes that her second baby was due this fall.

I am anxious to do a good job and to keep up with all of you. Please drop me a note, and let me know how you are. I'll look forward to hearing from you!

Our 10th reunion was a real pleasure for me. Not only did I enjoy being back at Mary Washington for the weekend and being with good friends, but, with three children under six, getting away by myself was a rare treat.

I flew to Washington and drove down to Fredericksburg with **Michelle Lalle**

Rush. Michelle lives in Vienna, Va., with her husband, Nowell, and their children, Kristen, 4½, and Patrick, 1½. Nowell is a partner with Ernst and Whinney.

We met **Kathy Farrell Hershner**, **Janette Gates Sroka**, **Katharine Farrar Willard**, **Mary Gaber Young**, and **Barbara Bowman Scott**. Kathy was expecting her first child, and **Chris Romanis Bury** had a shower for her in Brent. Kathy's baby, Allison Trieste, arrived in June, and Chris had a baby boy, Michael James, in August.

Janette Gates Sroka lives in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., with her three children, 6, Adam, 4, and Ben, 2, and husband Bob, who is working for IBM.

Katharine Farrar Willard, husband Freddie and son Reed, 2, live in Keswick, Va.

Mary Gaber Young, husband Scott, and daughter, Sarah, 3, live in Norfolk. Mary is a dental hygienist, and Scott enjoys photography.

Barbara Bowman Scott, husband Marlin and son Kenny just moved to a new home in Richmond.

Nancy McKenney Ritter and husband Jay also live in Richmond with their two children, Anne and Jamie.

Please let me hear from all of you, especially those of you we have lost touch with in the past 10 years.

Amy Harrier Hathaway, an English and speech teacher at Virginia Beach Junior High, was recently honored as Virginia Beach Schools' Teacher of the Year. We're proud of you, Amy!

1975

Ms. Janice E. Anderson
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Chatham, NJ 07928

Belinda Newberry Flournoy and husband Steve have their third child—and first son—born in early August and named Stephen Cole. Cole's sisters, Jamie and Chrystie, are delighted.

In October **Patricia Ann Hass** married David Adams Cleveland. Patricia has a master's degree from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies. She is an international economist in the Office of the Secretary of the Treasury.

1976

Madelin Jones Barratt
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McLean, VA 22101

Hey, 76ers! Here's the latest:

Reggie Tambellini Harbourne wrote that John and **Daphne Johnston Elliott** have moved to California. Daphne had a baby girl, Melissa Elaine, on May 30.

Sally Mize Moore has returned to the D.C. area. She heard from **Mary Ann Kalafat Wray**. She and Tim are expecting their second child next year. They are still in California.

While attending a building opening reception here in McLean, I met two MWC alumnae: **Margo Robinson French** '62, who is an art director for technical illustrations, and **Sarah Kosak** '84, who works in admissions at MWC. Small world!

Bev Haynes Vaughn '74 keeps busy with her two daughters but finds time to play tennis.

Sue Sendlein Luscomb wrote that she is also playing tennis for exercise since Alicia's birth.

Henry and I had **Mary Carroll Myers** spend the weekend with us in September. She came up from Florida to attend a seminar on how to recruit for Mary Washington. We stayed up late and gabbed—just like old times!

I have been ringing English handbells in a choir at church. I love it. It is a fun way to use my music.

Please write to me. I would like to put in some news about you!

Congratulations to **Richard Hasty** and **Barbara Jean Kennedy** '80. They were married September 22, 1984. Both of them work at Mary Washington Hospital in Fredericksburg.

Glenda Burrow Jackson has joined Mettler Instrument Corporation as an instrument sales representative. After leaving MWC, Glenda received her master's degree from Duquesne University. She now lives in Pittsburgh.

1977

Karen Hertzel
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Canton, CT 06019

I have just a few tidbits of news from the class of 1977. (Come on MWC graduates; I know you are able to write. Where are the letters?!)

Now back to the news...

Victoria Geis is still actively involved with the theatre. In addition to acting, she is part-owner of the So Far Theatre Company in Northern Virginia.

Kathleen Williams wrote to say she is working for the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Atlanta as a sales manager. Also, she is the proud owner of a condominium and loves it.

Robin Carpenter Rosen and her new hubby, Coleman, just moved to Greensboro, N.C. Robin has enrolled at the University of North Carolina to obtain a master's degree

in public health administration. Good luck to you, Robin.

Wedding bells rang recently for **Cynthia Wehry Skelley**. Cindy was married in July and now lives in Harrisonburg, Va.

Christina Miller Ostendorf writes that her husband Bill finished law school at the University of Texas. They have moved to Shreveport, La., with daughter Becky and baby Chuck, who was born May 15, 1984.

Elizabeth Willcox Weisiger and husband Lee are now living in Glen Allen, Va. Lee is a compensation officer with United Virginia Bank in Richmond. They welcomed the arrival of their first child, Laura Harrison, in June.

That is the news. Once again, please don't hesitate to drop me a line. I would love to hear from all of you.

1978

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Mrs. Kathleen Smith Evans
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Miss Vickie Paula Fotopoulos
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Culpeper, VA 22701

Barbara Post writes that she was recently promoted to the position of senior medical technologist at Norfolk General Hospital. She assumed teaching duties there in October after having been at Leigh Memorial Hospital for six years. She just returned from a vacation to Bermuda and loved it. She is still living in Virginia Beach and says for anyone coming through to look her up.

1979

Barbara I. Goliash
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Miss Leslie Susan Mayer
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1980

Mrs. Gail Melanson Carr
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1981

Nancy Skinner Woodhouse
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Miss Lynn A. Shepard
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Syracuse, NY 13210

Miss Lori A. Foster
Box L, OPS Dept., Naval Station
Mayport, FL 32228

Hello from South Carolina!

I spoke with **Rachel Shadrick Smith**. She and husband Dirk celebrated their first wedding anniversary in October. They are living and working in Arlington, Va.

Susan Flournoy Pierce is working as a legal assistant full-time and is also attending law school at George Mason University in the evening. She's in her second year and anxious to be finished.

Also in school and working is **Anne Hughes**. She's attending school in New Jersey working on her certification to teach.

One wedding I know of was **Stephanie Amato's**. She married Bill Scheff in June in Fredericksburg where they are also living. Steph is teaching at Chancellorsville Elementary School.

There are some new parents I'd like to mention. Unfortunately, I don't have all the babies' genders. (Please inform me!)

Nancy Novak Riester and her husband, Peter, who are in Hawaii, were due to have a baby in November 1983. From Texas, **Valerie Grimes Richbourg** and husband Tom were expecting in late summer or early fall 1984. Finally, **Bob Mooney** has a new son.

Think pink! **Tammy Faulconer Willis** and her husband, Rodney, are the proud and happy parents of a daughter, Jessica Michelle. Little Jessica made her appearance Nov. 15 at Mary Washington Hospital in Fredericksburg. Mom, ever the loyal alumna, is the Mail Room clerk at the College.

I'm still working at Litton Bionetics, the laboratory products division. I keep busy as my husband Bill spends a lot of time at sea. Such is the life of a Navy wife.

We express our deepest sympathy to the family of **Mary Siegrist Hinz** who was killed in an accident while on vacation in Florida.

I want to end this with a plea for everyone to send some news, any news! We all want to hear how everyone else is doing!

1982

1st Lt. Betsey Riester
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APO New York 09358

Marty De Silva
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Washington, D.C. 20008

Well, the recent news has been a long time in coming, to be sure, but here's your column filled with earth-shattering events and stories about our classmates! Can you stand the suspense? Whew! It's great to hear from all of you and about all of you, but it's still not enough! Keep those letters coming!

First, **Jeff Bowen**—where are you? A letter from you was forwarded to me, but I never received it! I hope all is well. Drop me a line soon at the above address, so I can report on your doings.

Many people have gotten married since I

last wrote. When was that, anyway? **Kathy Pike** wed long-time beau Dan Cleuster (I know that's not spelled right) on April 28. Her ex-roomie **Gay Groves** was married exactly one week later to Bob Dillinger. **Erma Ames** married Brian Baker in the Rose Garden of Brompton in May, and **Terri Torri** and **John Hoffman** tied the knot Sept. 29. Congrats to all!

At this stage, I know of only one mother-to-be. **Sue Watkins Harkrader** was expecting in December, and I guess by the time this comes out, she will be a new mother. I will let you know what happens in the next issue.

As for everyone else, they are knee-deep in their careers and/or education. We are all getting so professional these days; I can't stand it. **Kathleen Downes** just received a terrific promotion at the United Mine Workers Health and Retirement Funds, became engaged to Tom Guzi, and is pursuing a master's in public administration. Geez!

Jackie Tanous started a new job at Abramson Associates where she is—get this—an assistant traffic manager. She's working like crazy. What did we expect? In addition to her job in admissions, **Jenifer Blair** is pursuing a graduate degree in education at the University of Virginia. **Jim Pierpoint** continues to study busily at the University of Georgia while brother **Tim** has started a job at a defense contracting firm in Crystal City (along with **Kathy Miller!**) and is having a heck of a time. **Rosann Sedlacko** continues to work at First American Bank in Virginia, driving around in her snazzy Toyota.

This past June, **Libba Kepley** (oops, I mean Elizabeth!) moved to the Capitol Hill area of Washington where she is working for a lobby group. She seems to be doing wonderfully and enjoying Washington.

Beth Doyle has also moved to the District, living not too far away from her old roommate, **Erin Devine**, who is finishing up her third year of law school at American University and working for a law firm in between. She and her housemates have been joined by **Mandy Murphy**, who has come to Washington after her adventures in the Peace Corps in Africa! Welcome back, Mandy!

While we are on the subject of law school, **Annmarie Cozzi** and **Barbara Cahill** have both entered their second year. Annmarie is in Richmond, and Barbara is in New York—both struggling through the second year grind!

Betsy Rohaly is up in Fort Meade working for the Defense Department as a number of our classmates seem to be doing.

After her marriage, **Laurie Scherer Dulle** moved from Fort Meade down to Pensacola with hubby. On a recent visit with Laurie, **Cicely Woodrow** fell in love with the place so much, she decided it was time for a change and left D.C.

Trenda Powell Jacocks also made a not-so-recent move, leaving the Creole life of New Orleans for the beachy life of

Hawaii, where husband Jake is stationed. She keeps in pretty close touch with **Paula Garten**, who is diligently working at Dupont Circle, making an occasional business trip to Chicago or New York!

Not too long ago **Shannon McGurk** came back for a visit to the U.S. From all accounts, he loves Germany and often gets opportunities to travel in Europe. You can imagine how Shannon enjoys visits to the landmarks his literary heroes have written about!

Missy Betak Webb is spending some time in the Northern Virginia area working for an agency that assists the handicapped in job placement and so forth. She likes the area but is really looking forward to joining Gary in South Dakota where he is in law school.

Mike Bennett is enjoying the Big Apple pretty well (an understatement). Aside from keeping busy with his Wall Street job, Mike is a participant in the Big Brother program. So for the last few months he has been occupied alright, spending two weekends a month with a youngster in tow!

Dan Hudson is also keeping himself out of trouble with a recent job switch (not that recent, actually) and a move to Northern Virginia.

Marty De Silva has made what she hopes is a semi-permanent move to Washington, D.C.! Still working for the American Council on Education, she is teaching aerobics to her co-workers—time out for a brief laugh here—and is serving as chairperson for the United Way Campaign in her office and having fun from all reports.

Hope to hear from all of you soon!
Please write scads!

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From Janice: Whew! Since May 1984 our class has been quite busy settling into new jobs, advanced education, marriages, etc., and I have been fortunate enough to hear from so many classmates, who not only fill me in on their lives, but also bring me up to date with many other grads. Here goes...

Roslyn Roach and **Johnna Webb** are both employed by Planning Research Corp. in McLean, Va. They also share an apartment in Fairfax. Roslyn and Johnna provided me with quite a bit of information about fellow computer science majors.

Roozan Abrahamian works for a computer company in Fairfax. **Katrina Kolonay** and **Lyle Brooks** work for IBM in Manassas, Va.

Dahlgren, Va., seems to be a popular place of employment for computer science majors. That's where **Leslie Harris** and **Dan Wolfe** are employed by the Naval Surface Weapons Center. **Cary Miller** also works in Dahlgren for Comptek, while **Dale Maguire** works for Systems Development Corp. and **Melanie Wood** is plugging away at Sperry Univac. **Kathy Anderson** and **Blythe Stuart** work in Crystal City, Va.; Kathy for Advanced Technology and Blythe for Raven Computer Co.

Lori Wendt works in McLean, Va. for Time Share Corp. **Brenda Ziegler** is employed by the Johns Hopkins' Applied Physics Lab in Baltimore. **Iantha Rose** works for the government and teaches a dance class in Reston, Va.

Anne Savoca landed a job as a business correspondent for Group Hospitalization Insurance also known as the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Plan. She is becoming quite an expert in the insurance department. Anne recently bumped into **Tony Carnevale**. She is doing secretarial work for a Georgetown business full-time and is quite busy participating in local theater work on the side. **Vanessa Sullivan** keeps in touch with Anne. Vanessa has an apartment in Fredericksburg and commutes to her job at the Pentagon Federal Credit Union in Alexandria, Va. Anne also reports that **Maggie Russell** is working retail at Garfinkel's at Tyson's Corner.

Carla Rivero is doing the same for Bloomingdale's. Anne herself spends a lot of time at these places!

David Swanson is managing a Wendy's Restaurant in Fredericksburg and living with MWC seniors Bill and Jeff Coleman.

Darnell Horio works on Capitol Hill for Sen. Max Baucus (D-Mont.). She has also heard from several grads. Her Framar roommate **LaVonda Simpson** worked as a camp counselor with former residence director Ann Morton. Now she is job hunting in Richmond and Washington, D.C.

Becky Rooks landed a graphics arts position with Carter Printing in Richmond. **Boo Katenbrink** is working as a personnel assistant for Woodward & Lothrop at Fair Oaks. **Sue Scafuro** is a paralegal for a New York law firm. **Ann Marie Edwards** works for a photographer in Richmond; Darnell attended a party at **Kerry Devine**'s new residence in September. She lives in Arlington, Va., and works in Washington, D.C., for Close-Up, an educational foundation.

Roslyn, Johnna, Anne, Darnell and I have compiled much of this information at our weekly happy hour meetings in Washington and Northern Virginia. In fact, we have even bumped into other MWC grads at these meetings. For instance, we saw **Erin Devine** '82, **Jim** and **Tim**

Pierpoint '82, **Dan Hudson** '83, and the brother of **Jackie Tanous** '82—all in one evening!

Ann Colligan, another source of news and socializing, is yet another MWC grad living and working in Northern Virginia. She tells me that **Jennifer Boone** and **Tara Kilday Lindhart** are both employed as junior accountants at Dominion Federal, McLean, Va. Tara became Mrs. Lindhart in September. They honeymooned in Greece and now reside in Washington, D.C.

Cecil Graniewski is working for the Department of Army and planning her June '85 wedding to Pat. **Janie Churchill Hinkley** and Navy husband Brian will have recently relocated, hopefully to Oceana in Norfolk, Va., when you read this.

Charlotte Jones is a kindergarten teacher in Culpeper, Va., while her friend **Carol Hurst** teaches third grade in Chesapeake, Va.

Kathy McCune works for the American Psychological Association in Arlington, Va. **Kathy Gibbons** is enjoying yuppie life, working at the Riggs Bank in Washington, D.C. **Patty Forster** is back in Northern Virginia from a summer in Florida with her parents.

Susan Wyatt is teaching in Delaware and married Michael in October. Ann recently bumped into **Mary Mulholland**, who is working at the World Bank, Washington, D.C.

In Virginia Beach, three former Framar residents have carried on the house tradition. **Lynn Manger**, **Sheila Brady** and **Vicky Eakin** have rented a beach house through June '85. Lynn is working for Systems Development Corp. Sheila is a sales representative there for Busch Gardens. Vicky is also working in the area and planning her wedding to Michael, set for summer '85.

Jane Coleman and **James Miller** have both relocated in Dallas, Texas. Jane is working for her brother's insurance company. James is also doing insurance work.

Kari Paulsen moved to Japan with her parents, where she is modeling. She and Mark are engaged to be married in 1986. Her Framar roommate **Bet Walker** has relocated in Atlanta, Ga., where she is working and closer to boyfriend Jack.

Kelly Ryan is living in Northern Virginia, working at the Pentagon while looking for a biology-related job in the area. **Lee Walker** found a graphic arts job in Portsmouth, Va. **Sylvia McLain** is working as a government accounting clerk in Norfolk, Va. She and fiance Wayne are busy planning their wedding, which probably will have taken place by publication.

While doing volunteer work for a local congressional candidate, Dick Saslaw, I bumped into an MWC familiar face—**Edith Roessler**. She is working at a

bank and was actively involved in the Saslaw campaign.

Several of our classmates have remained in Fredericksburg. **Warren Arbogast** is working at WFLS radio. He and **Jane Shawn** have set a December wedding date. Jane is working as a librarian at Trinkle Library. **Ford Jones** and **Sarah Kosak** served their admissions counselor posts for the College. **Lynn Ballard** is teaching high school Spanish in the Fredericksburg area. In addition to her teaching duties, she coached the girls J.V. field hockey team. **Linda Lemanski** remains in Fredericksburg, employed in Leggett's management program.

Cheryl Leonard was working part-time for a local bank, government job hunting, and planning a December '85 wedding to Jack, per our last conversation.

Lois Walthall Murdaugh, one of my Framar roommates, is happy and busy teaching first grade at Garrisonville Elementary, enjoying her married life with William, house hunting, attending local seminars, and keeping fit. She never stops!

Several members of the Class of '84 chose to travel after college life and before entering the "real world." **Carol Oliveri** travelled to Italy and returned to a job in Washington, D.C. **Rob Wood** took a similar route, spending the summer in Europe, and returning to Northern Virginia to look for a job. **Ellen Wilson** spent the summer in Europe with her family, then returned to Nags Head, N.C., for a visit before moving to Northern Virginia to begin her job search. **Ann Cummings** also made the grand tour of Europe.

Other classmates have decided to extend college life—by pursuing further studies. **Amy Cox** and **Julie Riddick** are attending paralegal school in Atlanta, Ga. **Kathy Key** has travelled to Calgary, Alberta, Canada, for an advanced degree. **Genine Lentine** is sticking closer to home. She's studying linguistics at Georgetown University.

Colette Moseley is now studying at the University of Maryland, and **Sharon Recker** is pursuing a master's degree in Georgia. **Carolyn Anonick** is enrolled in classes at VCU. She's working toward obtaining an occupational therapy degree while working part-time at a day care center. **Lisa Featherstone** is attending nursing school at George Mason University. **Marie Gutierrez** attended business school in Washington, D.C.

Two grads are studying law. **Dan Steen** is at U.Va.; **Katie Werner** is studying at the University of Baltimore.

Wedding bells have been ringing since May. **Kelly Norton** and John Humphrey were married just one week after graduation. They reside in Maryland.

Linda McKnight and Bill Gott exchanged vows in July. After honeymooning in Block Island, R.I., they lived in Groton, Conn., where Navy husband Bill was stationed. They have since relocated

to New Hampshire for the next tour of duty.

Congratulations to **Brian Baker** and his new wife, **Erma Ames** '82, who also were married in May. The Bakers have settled in Fredericksburg. Brian's sister, **Erin Baker**, wasn't too far behind. Erin and Chip Sniffen were married in June. They are living in Germany, where Chip is stationed with the Army.

Tina Bowyer married Nat Harrison this summer. They spent several weeks honeymooning in Europe. **Sharon Kurtz** became Mrs. Michael Hanger in August. They honeymooned in Bermuda and have settled in Roanoke, Va.

Speaking of Roanoke, that is where **Andra Powell** and Marty McKown tied the knot May 26 with many MWC grads attending. Just a day after the wedding, they were en route to Meridian, Miss., where Lt. j.g. Marty has been stationed for more flight training. Andra is teaching at a private middle school there. She is also the school's pep squad coach and has told me that she and "her kids," her sixth graders that is, will be in Washington, D.C., this spring for a field trip. We can't wait to see her!

Our condolences to **Sylvia McLain** who lost her mother.

I am working for the American Trucking Associations in Alexandria, Va. Specifically, I work under the Industry Relations Division as a reporter for the weekly business newspaper of the trucking industry, *Transport Topics*. I never knew how involved and interesting the transportation industry could be! My future plans include moving from home to a townhouse in Alexandria/Arlington and enrolling in either a professional development course or master's program on a part-time basis. I am excited about the Class of '84's progress, and I hope to hear even more good news in your letters to come. Please keep me informed!



In Memoriam

Ruth Carter Vellines '15
Mary Newberne Grant '15
Ina Frances Taylor Powell '16
Janet Peirce Whitehead '19
Emily Palmer Wright '31
Henrietta Ada Clement '43
Frances Lawson Spencer '43
Gloria "Gibby" Burnside Denenberg '44
Eleanor Elizabeth Omohundro '44
Meredith Hansen Knipe '58
Jane Knight Stuckey '65

Our sympathies are extended to the families and friends of all the deceased alumni.

Condolences to:

Margaret Lamberth Reardon '34 who lost her father.
Mary Alice Turman Carper '36, who lost her husband.
Mamie Stahle Allen '43 who lost her mother.
Marilynn Price Heady '44 who lost her mother.
Virginia Sherlock Kelley '44 who lost a daughter.
Virginia Gunn Blanton '45 who lost her husband.
Elsie Brauer Lee '46 who lost a son.
Delia Pate Wilson '50 who lost her husband.
Helen Barden Horan '58 who lost her husband.
Sylvia McLain '84 who lost her mother.



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